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Dog park panel seeks to bridge communication gaps

*'We need some data...
or we're dead in the
water'*
James McGill

BY GUS STEEVES
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN – The ongoing proposal to create a dog park in town may have hit a wall, and that wall has a name — communication.

As several members of the Dog Park Committee stated on March 30, going forward will depend on bringing together

the town manager and Fur Friends, the informal advocates group, to clarify where to go next, who needs to do what, and whether or not the town will apply for a potential \$250,000 grant before Fur Friends seeks non-profit status. The group has already pledged in writing to raise 10 percent of the park's cost, but selectmen have previously raised concerns about whether they can.

"We need some data, some output from them, or we're dead in the water," said member James McGill. To him,

progress requires knowing if the town and Fur Friends "can find some common ground."

A big issue at this point is a recently proposed timeline. Although it calls for the committee hosting a public forum on April 27, McGill said they need to avoid creating "false hopes and dreams" at the forum because the whole project could easily still take another year.

"I don't know if anyone would come into this on day one thinking we'd be submitting an application for design more than a year and a half

[after starting to meet]," he said. "... We weren't given any visibility that this could be what we were looking at."

Chairman Ronald Prouty, however, said he feels the steps look "pretty much routine as far as town projects go." Most of the obstacles remaining "have nothing to do with us." Among them is the fact the selectmen still need to vote on applying for the grant and approving use of the land; he noted they could sit on it until after the election, or choose to do it quickly.

Specifically, the committee

intends to recommend putting a dog park at Lemansky Park, an alternative location to one proposed last year off Upland Street that sparked significant neighborhood objections. Prouty said his research came up with a cost estimate of \$240,000 for a 30,000 square foot fenced facility, which Sarah Beth Libby later noted would involve adding water and fixing the parking, although the cost would not include ongoing maintenance. Right now, the Parks Commission runs

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Gus Steeves photos

Tea Belog and Siobhan Collins share a laugh during the slide show. See more photos page 11

Auburn High School Honor Society inducts 44 new member

BY GUS STEEVES
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN — In a candlelit ceremony reminiscent of history, Auburn High inducted 44 new members into its National Honor Society chapter on March 30.

"Seven years ago, I was sitting in this auditorium waiting for my own induction," said keynote speaker Molly McNamara, valedictorian of the Class of 2012 and now a doctoral student at

Harvard. "The importance of scholarship is indisputable. Don't ever lose your desire to learn."

McNamara was obviously referring to a basic principle of education as a whole, but also the first of the NHS's four key elements — scholarship, service, leadership and character. All inductees are expected to demonstrate them in various ways, and the evening's ceremony centered on the ritual lighting of four candles representing

those traits from a central candle representing knowledge. Afterward, current members paired off with newcomers and draped blue and white induction ribbons over their heads, and current NHS president Zachary Taylor passed the flame from that central candle to every new member.

Before doing so, he urged the neophytes and audience to "continue to learn even

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First 5K to honor fallen hero scheduled

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
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LEICESTER — Almost a year after Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino Jr., was killed in the line of duty, Auburn, Leicester and surrounding communities continue to be Tarentino Strong with several fundraising events.

The first annual Tarentino Strong Road Race will be held on Sunday, April 30. Registration for the 5K race will take place at 9 a.m., and the race will begin at 10 a.m. at Leicester High School.

All proceeds from the event will benefit the Ronald Tarentino Jr., Memorial Scholarship Fund, which will award six scholarships to graduating seniors (two in Leicester, two in Auburn, and two in Tewksbury, where Tarentino was raised).

"Officer Tarentino's death joined together the towns of Auburn and Leicester, along with Tewksbury, forever," said event organizer Sue Rowland, who has lived in Leicester since

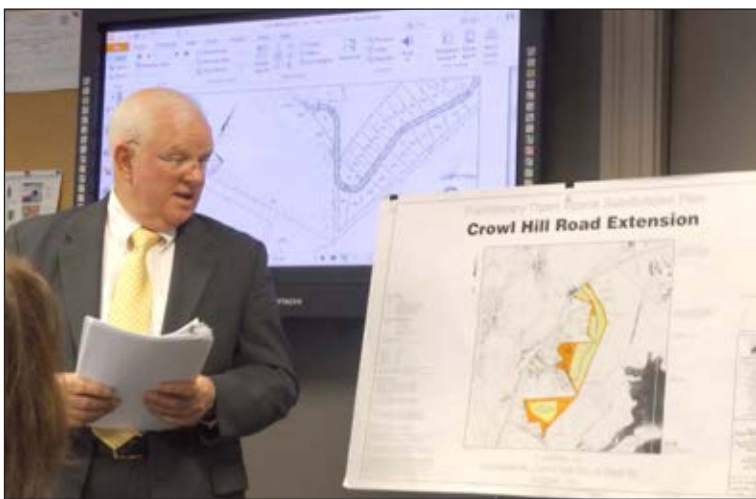
1995. "This was just a small way myself and others could show the towns how much we respected and honored all he did and continues to do for our towns."

No matter where you go in Auburn and Leicester, it won't take long to find someone who was positively impacted by Tarentino. Previously an officer in Leicester, where he and his family resided, he constantly strived to find ways to improve the community and help those in need.

Working closely with longtime 5K participant B.J. Williams, Rowland wanted to create an event that will not only raise funds for the scholarship program but also help residents reflect on Tarentino's life.

"Everywhere he went, he was friendly and cheerful and helpful," Rowland said. "He always had a smile on his face. He could be working in the heat of summer on a detail and

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Engineer Norman Hill describes features of the proposed Crowl Hill Road Extension project, a 40-house subdivision off Rochdale Street. The land sits next to the closed Auburn landfill, in the upper right-hand corner of the map.

Safe water key issue for subdivision plan

BY GUS STEEVES
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN – How do you get water to homes built near a closed landfill?

Hopefully not with wells. But those are on the table, alongside hooking into the town's actual water system, for 40 homes proposed as Crowl Hill Road Extension, off Rochdale Street.

At last week's meeting, when its public hearing began, Crowl Hill engineer Norman Hill told the Planning Board the project's owners Connie and David Pappas (SDC Realty) intend

to hook into public sewer and possibly water. Doing so, however, would be costly, given the distance to the nearest lines: Hill proposed completing a loop from the existing end on Rochdale Street near the railroad bridge over to West Street.

A lot of it depends on how the players read a letter from water supervisor Ken Smith. Board member Scott Wrenn interpreted it as saying "it's not possible."

"His letter does give you the impression it's not possible," Hill agreed. "But I assure you

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Expo highlights local business

BY GUS STEEVES
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN – In an era when big business has political power, local events keep the little guys alive.

One such event was Tuesday's Chamber of Commerce Health & Business Expo, where about 40 area firms got a chance to make personal connections at the Auburn/Webster Elks Lodge.

"I did it to meet people; I'm not really expecting to sell products today," said first timer Laura Nelson. "This [kind of event] is definitely not the bread-and-butter of my business for sure, but getting to meet people one-on-one if they're interested is good."

Nelson, who has run a Pure Haven essential oils business out of her home since October 2015, actually hails from Princeton. Like many

home-based firm owners, she also has a day job, but said she doesn't "get to meet too many people" up there.

"It's easier to meet people who aren't in your Chamber because you're forced to," Nelson added, noting she's a member of the Holden Chamber.

She said she "always had an interest in health and wellness" (her day job is also in

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Visitors browse the tables of local firms at Tuesday's Health & Business Expo.





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Adventures with Molly the beagle



Mike Fournier and his nearly 12 pound lake trout.

Now that we have had the last snowstorm of the season, it is time to get the fishing rods ready. Trout fishing anglers are enjoying some great early fishing at Pratt Pond in Upton and Webster Lake in Webster. Numerous anglers caught limits of rainbow trout at various ponds in the Central District using power bait and lures this past week.

A reminder that trout fishing at Wallum Lake in Douglas will open this Saturday April 8, one-half hour before sunrise. The daily bag limit for trout at Wallum Lake is five. A Rhode Island or Massachusetts fishing license is needed to fish Wallum.

Wachusett Reservoir opened this past Saturday April 1, with a good amount of anglers eager to wet a line, but the cold, snow, sleet & rain kept a lot of anglers away on Saturday. The coffee shop trailer at the Reservoir did a brisk business on Saturday. This writer visited Ed Fair at his Bait & Tackle Shop (B&A) this past Sunday, and was told of an 11 lb. 10 oz. lake trout that was caught Sunday morning by Mike Fournier. Ed gave me the picture for this week's column. Nice fish!

Believe it or not northern Maine extended their ice fishing season for two weeks. They still have enough safe ice to support a couple more weeks of fishing.

This past week this writer and Jerry Bacon of Whitinsville were taking our daily walk at the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club with my yellow Lab and my wife's beagle Molly. Because the beagle cannot find a rabbit to chase, she has started to hunt birds. She caught a quail at the club a few weeks ago and now knows that there is really something that is leaving a scent on ground. Sight chasing



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birds like geese and ducks as they fly over the club pond has become a favorite pastime of hers, but it nearly cost her life last week. This past Monday Jerry and I were taking our daily walk and were on the south side of the pond when a pair of mallards came flying by quacking, catching the attention of Molly.

We were laughing as she ran along the edge of the pond sight chasing the ducks. Suddenly the two ducks changed course and headed out over a section of ice that had not melted on the pond. She made a very quick course direction and leaped onto the ice landing a few feet out onto the ice, the second leap had her crashing through the ice.

"Oh NO!" It was only a few seconds and I soon realized that she had got stuck under the ice. Quickly jumping into the freezing water, I could see her frantically swimming under the ice. I quickly made a lunge toward her shadow which I could see under the ice and made an attempt to break the ice. Lucky for her and me, the ice gave way and I pulled her out of the water and onto the shore. It all happened so quick!! A couple of members saw the commotion in the water and offered us a ride back to the club.

With my heart racing and Molly trying to clear the water from her stomach, I felt it was best to let her walk away. As we headed back to the club house I quickly realized that we both could have drowned. The cold water that was felt on my body had me in a bit of shock, but I slowly started to feel a bit warmer. I had my Muck boots, on and they were also full of water. I also realized that if Molly had drowned and I survived I would not see our 60th wedding anniversary this October. My wife has often told me that if anything happens to her



Molly the beagle now snuggled happily at home

dog, I may as well not come home!!!! Upon arriving home I contemplated telling my wife about our adventure, but realized it was best to tell a true story. Drying the beagle off with towels and a hair dryer, Molly decided to take a nap. As I told my wife the story I could feel that she was handling the incident with a bit of anxiety. Never a dull moment with dogs.

Molly has totally recovered from the incident and is back chasing birds in the back yard. Aside from a cold, I too have recovered from the incident, but I will always be wearing a life preserver when fishing on my boat. It sure was a wake up call!!

This past week this writer observed two beaver and a fishercat killed by automobiles within a quarter mile of my home. These animals are in their breeding season and will be crossing roads for a few weeks in search of a mate. Because of the ban on trapping beaver, numbers have skyrocketed, and they are causing a lot of destruction to trees, rivers and property.

With the large amount of rain recently many property owners will find flooding on their property in the coming weeks. Trapping needs to be brought back, for the safety and health of all the resident in the valley!

A few local sportsmen have been out trying to locate wild turkey prior to the April 24, opening day. During their efforts to locate some birds they soon found their clothes covered with deer ticks. It is expected to be a bad year for ticks, and hunters and the general public should be aware of the large infestation of ticks this year. Dogs also need to be protected from these



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nasty insects. Lyme disease has taken center stage, and is considered a health problem for everyone that spends time in the outdoors. I have personally had Lyme disease twice and I lost one of my Labrador retrievers to the crippling disease.

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This question is not cut and dry for every scenario or location so I definitely suggest consulting with a Realtor that knows your area to see if seasonality will affect your sale. The biggest factor here would be supply and demand. We have had low supply for the last couple years compared to the demand of buyers. Some homes

such as waterfront homes or maybe a home that has no off street parking or is on a hill that is treacherous in the winter will probably sell better in the spring and summer with more demand for the home.

When we are talking about waiting till the spring when it is busy the one factor to consider is that is the same thing every other seller is doing. The buyer that has a job relocation in January is not waiting till the spring to buy a home, they are buying in January. Many times the spring market will actually not be as good a time to sell because you have more competition to sell your home against. If your home is the only one

in a neighborhood for sale in January, you have a much better chance on selling quicker for a higher value than being one of 5 homes in that neighborhood in May. When you look at timing for selling your home you and your Realtor should look at the inventory on the market more than the time of year. In addition, there are many other factors that will affect the market such as interest rates. You want to list your home when you have it in its best possible condition to ensure you sell quickly for the most money.

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Big Bunny at Auburn excites youngsters



L-R: Abby, age 13, Andrew, age 11, Michael, age 8, and Brayden Sanford, age 6, all of Webster, made it a family affair as they all joined in for a photo with Caring Bunny.

Auburn Mall hosted the annual Caring Bunny event on March 26 offering families that have children with special needs a welcoming and subdued environment to participate in the Bunny Photo Experience. Sensory triggers are reduced to create more comforting surroundings for children’s cherished visit with the Bunny.

Caring Bunny has been developed by Simon malls and guided by AbilityPath.org, a national online resource hub and special needs community.



Matthew Czernicki, age 7, of Webster was all smiles as he met the Caring Bunny.



Alex Holt, age 6, gave Caring Bunny at Auburn Mall a hug and was joined by her brother Aidan Holt, age 10, of Southbridge.



Three-year-old Jayden Salsman of Worcester was all decked out in his Easter best for his visit with Caring Bunny.

Courtesy photos

Route 20 proposals spark traffic concerns

BY GUS STEEVES
CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN — Two new businesses are aiming to revive two vacant buildings on Route 20. But both still have to devise ways to address traffic-related concerns raised by the Planning Board and neighbors.

If they can do so, and meet other requirements, O’Reilly Auto Parts will set up shop at 700 Southbridge St. and Impact Fitness at the corner of Route 20 and Millbury Street sometime later this year.

The latter will have an easier time of it. According to engineer Vito Colonna, they plan to renovate the existing building and want to change the traffic flow around the property. It now has just one entrance off Route 20; he’s proposing a driveway around the building to an exit on Millbury Street.

DPW Director Bill Coyle and town Planner Matt Benoit, however, were both concerned about the impact cars leaving the site would have on traffic. They said they’d prefer to see both exits be right turns out only because of “a greater potential for accidents” otherwise, and Coyle said he thinks Massachusetts Department of Transportation might feel the same way.

O’Reilly, by contrast, plans to demol-

ish the existing building (formerly home to Auburn Town Cleaners) and rebuild one that’s about the same size, engineer Josh Snelling said. Snelling’s plans called for having the public come in from the front (Route 20) side, but with staff parking and deliveries in the back, coming off Waterman Road. A second Waterman curb cut in front would be for emergency vehicles only.

Neighbors didn’t like that.

“Waterman’s traffic has increased exponentially,” said Florence Sylwanovicz, who has lived there since 1982. “It’s a cut-through road and a mine field.”

Sylwanovicz said the neighbors were told they’d “never” see a curb-cut on Waterman for previous businesses there, but she has seen many drivers come down the street looking for one. That side of the street is also the only sidewalk.

Her husband, Stanley, added he’s had difficulty getting out of their driveway “as cars fly around the corner,” and said he’s concerned some future company could turn a back entrance into a drive-through if the Planning Board allows it now.

Benoit shared related concerns, saying he wants to check whether there’s enough sight distance for that back entrance. Board members also disliked

the idea of having two curb cuts on Waterman, but Coyle said it’s possible to engineer the one closest to Route 20 to dissuade cars but be passable for fire trucks and similar vehicles. But if that happened, Coyle said he’s concerned that snowplows would push the snow across Waterman. He didn’t much like a gate there either, though, noting plows tend to pile snow in front of such gates.

Overall, board member Wendy Steinhilber said, getting off Waterman “is already bollixed now.” She urged the company to reorient the building on that parcel, citing the Master Plan’s goal of eliminating parking in front of businesses.

“This is my 12th O’Reilly’s, and it’s the smallest we’ve ever done,” said O’Reilly representative Lauren Sirois. “Making it smaller would be difficult.”

Among other things, she and Snelling noted the parcel is an odd shape with wetlands on one side. To make the building fit, they’ve already had to get a setback variance from the Zoning Board.

Snelling also said they could tell employees not to use Waterman as access and to only turn right when leaving. It would see 16 trips in the mornings and 44 in afternoons, he added.

The public hearings for both businesses were continued to April 11.

In other business, the Planning Board unanimously voted to recommend town meeting approval of four bylaw changes, all of them garnering no public comments. They are a minor textual change to Section 2.2 (changing a date), an update to the floodplain code text (but not the map), adding electric vehicle charging stations to the list of “accessory uses allowed in all districts” (because they exist now but aren’t clearly defined), and renumbering the “temporary commercial activities” section.

Members also unanimously recommended a proposed recreational marijuana moratorium. Benoit said it would ban recreational sale for 18 months, until December 2018, to give the state and town time to create regulations for such businesses.

The bylaw is based on one from West Bridgewater, although that one ends in June 2018. The state’s deadline for rule creation is March 2018, and sales become legal that July. Recreational pot growing for personal consumption and giving as gifts became legal last December with various limits, including a maximum of six plants per adult in the household (up to 12 total) and security systems on the growing area.

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Selectmen not happy about funding of Carbuncle property

BY JASON BLEAU
STONEBRIDGE STAFF WRITER

OXFORD — Despite showing interest in early February, Oxford’s Board of Selectmen will only be interested in a proposed property purchase at Carbuncle Pond if the town can supplement that cost with other funding rather than borrowing.

Selectmen received a proposal from the town’s recreation commission in early February when the commission’s chair Joel Masley asked if selectmen would be willing to support the town purchasing property adjacent to Carbuncle Pond, saying the property could be up for sale soon by the owner and has long been used as a fishing spot with the owners’ permission.

The recreation committee felt should the town own that property it would provide land for growth at one of the town’s most utilized recreation areas. Town officials did not specify the exact address of the land although it was stated to be adjacent to Carbuncle Beach.

Town Manager Brian Palaia was charged with exploring several different funding options for the purchase of the land and brought his findings back to the Board of Selectmen on March 28.

Option one was to have the town sell property it already owns to supplement to cost of the property. However, Palaia said that could be a stretch.

“We’re still looking at doing that and I expect we will (sell land) at some point this year. I looked at the previous result of our tax sales and I guess that would produce maybe 50 percent of what we need to purchase that lot,” Palaia said.

With that he examined option number two, which was to take money from a current project at Carbuncle Beach if that project was projected to be under budget. Unfortunately, the town has little wiggle room there.

“The other source of funding I looked into is whether there would be enough room in the budget for the Carbuncle bath house reconstruction that Bay Path is working on. At this point, based on where they are an evaluating the cost, I’m not really comfortable in saying that there’s room in that budget,” the Town Manager said.

The conclusion was should the town be able to procure money from property sales later this year officials would still have to find a way to cover half of the projected property cost to make the sale work. Palaia asked the Board of Selectmen if they would be

comfortable putting a borrowing request on the warrant for the town’s annual spring town meeting, but selectmen felt at this point the town may have utilized all options they were willing to explore.

“Initially we were going to sell lots and buy this piece of property and I was kind of lukewarm on that idea,” Selectman Michael Voas. “Now we’re saying we’d have to sell property, which I’m all for, no sense in owning property you don’t need, and then we’re going to have to borrow money in addition to that. When I look around town I see buildings and roads and things falling apart. I kind of equate this to me putting an addition on my house when my roof is leaking. We’ve got so many things that we need to get taken care of in this town somehow.”

Selectman Cheryl LeBlanc agreed saying she is not willing to borrow money for the property either.

“I think it’s a nice idea. I live down in that area so I do think it would be very nice. However, I was really only inclined to consider doing this if we sold enough land to cover the cost or if we could somehow save a little bit of money on the bathroom reconstruction. I would not be inclined to do this either one way or the other or a

combination of both,” LeBlanc said.

Selectman authorized Palaia to enter discussions with the property owner to see if she would be willing to hold off on a sale until the town finds a way to cover the cost. If not, selectmen said they may have

to let this particular property go and despite the advantages that the land may bring officials said they may have to allow the land to hit the market with the town having bigger priorities to focus on for the time being.

Fire strikes popular restaurant

AUBURN — Auburn Fire Department reports a quick response and alert neighbors helped save a restaurant from much damage last weekend.

According to the FD report, at 2:06 a.m. on April 2 the Auburn Fire Rescue Department received a 911 call from a resident at 85 South St. reporting smoke in his home. The resident was convinced that the smoke was coming from a neighboring structure. Fire crews upon arrival of the area found the fire to be at 500 Washington St., Tiny Tim’s Cafe.

The first engine that arrived forced the door to the restaurant and quickly extinguished

the fire in the kitchen.

Assistant Chief Glenn Johnson said, “Crews extinguished the fire before the kitchen’s fire suppression system went off. Thanks to the quick response the restaurant will be able to open today as scheduled.”

Johnson said the fire went to two alarms and there were no injuries to civilians or firefighters. At the time of the fire the restaurant was not open or in operation.

Both the Board of Health and the Wiring Inspector were called to the scene. The fire was contained to the kitchen and is not suspicious.

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LEARNING

New fee schedule will help early childhood education plans

It seems we have finally turned the corner from winter to spring as the long-range forecast includes no predictions for snowfall, but rather some high 50 to low 60 degree days on the horizon. Generally speaking, it was certainly not the snowiest of winters, but it seemed quite content to linger, long past its welcome, at least from my perspective.

With the arrival of warmer days, it means that the close of another school year is not that far off either...where does the time go? While it is our intention to stay fully engaged with our students through their final day on June 19, in the spring we do begin to plan in earnest for the upcoming school year. Secondary students select the courses they'll take, end of year concerts will soon be occurring and registrations for both kindergarten and preschool are underway.

Auburn has long had in place an integrated preschool program, with it having been moved from Mary D. Stone School to Auburn High School several years ago to best accommodate our students' varied needs. It is a high quality

program that traditionally served three and four year old students in half day programs.

In recognition of the powerful and long-term impact that high-quality preschool experiences can have on children, in recent years we added a 4-year old full-day program and expanded that this year to now include two such full-day opportunities. The next phase in our expansion of early learning opportunities is to implement a sliding fee schedule next school year in the hopes that we can minimize – or perhaps even eliminate – financial barriers that some young children's families may face. Based on a family's size and annual income, participation in Auburn's Integrated Preschool could be free or at a reduced rate. I thank the School Committee for their support of the Preschool Subcommittee's recommendation to implement this sliding fee, thus ensuring that all children have the opportunity to participate in formal



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preschool programs providing additional high-quality learning opportunities for our youngest citizens. In recognition of the belief that we are better when we work together, the Auburn Public Schools recently received a "Best Practices" grant from the State, the intention of which is to strengthen the collaboration among Auburn's preschool programs, thus enhancing our overall effectiveness for the benefit of Auburn's three and four year olds. With these grant funds in hand, we will be able to bring high-quality training programs to preschool staff, provide cultural programs for Auburn's three

early learning experiences.

Not only does the Auburn Public Schools offer high-quality preschool programming, but the Auburn community is fortunate to have numerous private preschool programs providing additional high-quality learning opportunities for our youngest citizens. In recognition of the belief that we are better when we work together, the Auburn Public Schools recently received a "Best Practices" grant from the State, the intention of which is to strengthen the collaboration among Auburn's preschool programs, thus enhancing our overall effectiveness for the benefit of Auburn's three and four year olds. With these grant funds in hand, we will be able to bring high-quality training programs to preschool staff, provide cultural programs for Auburn's three

and four year olds to enjoy with their families and to expand upon the kindergarten transition program we piloted for select students in the summer of 2016. We look forward to these opportunities and to the collaboration with our preschool provider partners across Auburn.

In closing, and as noted on the Great Schools website (greatschools.org), "Preschool provides a foundation for learning both socially and academically that will help...children succeed in elementary school." Our children deserve the very best we have to offer them, with Auburn offering numerous opportunities for high-quality early learning experiences to benefit our young children.

To contact me to share an idea, a concern or to ask a question, I can be reached at 508-832-7755 or via e-mail at mbrunelle@auburn.k12.ma.us. Thank you for your continued interest in and support of the Auburn Public Schools!

AUBURN ANNOUNCES HONOR ROLL

AUBURN — The following students have earned a place on the Auburn High School honor roll for the second term.

NINTH GRADE

High Honors: Maura Anish, Samuel Benoit, Cameron Bolduc, Michael Breen, Amanda Healey, Luke Laplante, Isabelle Lavallee, Jacob Matson, Kayla Nordman, Haley Norris, Danielle Schmeling, Serena Viruet, Elyse Whittemore, and Nichola Zona.

Honors: Samuel Almeida, Mackenzie Aucoin, Jessica Barrell, Grace Beauregard, Julia Benvenuti, Brynna Boucher, Brendan Bowles, Alexandra Burke, Szymon Burny, Ioannis Chatzopoulos, Emma Crowley, Bella D'Auteuil, Janine Davila, Angelina DiCarlo, Kelly Do, Fareda El Gaderi, Caitlyn Farrell, Ashley Fazio, Colin Fitzgerald, Emily Flaherty, Efthia Fotos, Abigail Frost, Emma Ganley, Sarah Garabedian, Sydney Gemme, Aidan Gowaski, Rachel Grandmaison, Kobe Greenidge, Carly Hayes, Ehmil Johnson, Kualim Johnson, Lexis Johnson, Nolan Kennedy, Liberty Kibbitt, Kamryn Kobel, Danh Le, Joseph LeBlanc, Julia Lussier, Colin Lutz, Amy Ly, Olivia Mathews, Ethan Montgomery, Luke Morin, Ryan Murphy, Ava Novakoski, Jaycie Opuda, Avery Pellegrino, Sandra Phan, Lilliana Pierce, Aaron Pigeon, Cody Plasse, Michael Prunier, Marika Renner, Victoria Robichaud, Jayda Rodriguez, Michaela Sampson, Xabriania Santiago, Emma Schiller, Alli Schenfeldt, Caleb Scopetski, Luana Sena, Meghan Sjogren, Justin Skaparas, Nicolas Spanos, Alex Stencil, Samuel Stencil, Alexis Strozina, Brett Sullivan, Cameron Szalay, Phillip Tran, Faith Tshiyoyo, Rezwana Uddin, Christine Wahjiru and Julia Zona.

TENTH GRADE

High Honors: Derek Brigham, Sean Angus Campbell, Sheeza Chaudry, Olivia Curren, Angelique Davis, Nicholas DiLeo, Ryan Garabedian, Meghan Hines, Tiffany Huynh, Jaclyn Landry, Graham Latino, Charlie Le, Giovanni Longo, Ethan Ly, Corinne Oliver, Eliana Palumbo, Jared

Sargent, Sebastian Smreczak, Simon Stevens, Jackson Sypek, Dayna Tang, Dylan Tang, and Emily Wambach.

Honors: Allison Anusauskas, Gianna Bernier, Cody Berube, Nicholas Billings, Nicholas Biscaglia, Evan Bond, Shea Brown, Makayla Camp, Cameron Carpenter, Kayli Christie, Kylee Christie, Kaylee Chumsae, Meaghan Contois, Katelyn Cormier, Sarah Cronin, Haley Croteau, Molly Cutting, Lauren Duquette, Maxwell Engel, Dawson Gemme, Emma Gervais, James Grady, Margaret Grady, Gianna Grici, Olivia Hamel, Erin Hazelhurst, Ryan Henderson, Jason Henry, Lauryn Hines, Hoang Huynh, Obiamaka Igwenagu, Kaycee Ikonya, Shea Jarvis, Kaitlyn Johnson, Madison Kapulka, Alexa Katsoulis, Eric Kot, Lucas Kusy, Nikolett Kyriazis, Jadon Latino, Jillian Lavallee, Tyler Lavallee, Zachary Lazerick, Jennifer LeBlanc, Caleb Mackin, Christopher Martin, Alexandra Masterson, Sophia Mazzone, Alexis McGrail, Eric Merriam, Olivia Mikkila, Daniel Mojica, Jessica Monteiro, Victoria Murphy, Tyler Nguyen, Isabelle O'Toole, Joseph Paine, Vishvesh Patel, Samantha Perry, Madison Pohkus, Tyler Perry, Courtney Prescott, Michael Robichaud, Ricardo Rodrigues, Semran Sahota, Shannon Sampson, Alyssa Sarkisian, Emily Saucier, Paige Souda, Austin Stewart, Maxwell Strong, Lenny Tran, Timothy Tran, Zachary Turcotte, Lily Tuthill, MaKenzie Ward, Kylie Wheeler, Neil Wykes, and Gabriela Wyspianski.

ELEVENTH GRADE

High Honors: Emily Beavers, Cole Beig, Nicole Causey, Hannah Cherry, Meghan Corey, Sydney Dinsdale, Amanda Doherty, Kerri Dowd, May Huynh, Alexis Kamyck, Gabrielle Lemanski, Gwenyth Lutz, Julianna Martinelli, Matthew Palmer, Stephanie Peterson, Carol Saltz, Brenda Ta, Rick Therrien, Matthew Tran, and Danielle Zanchi.

Honors: Matthew Backlin, Samantha Barrell, Alexander Bell, Brendan Benevento, Madison Boulay, Matthew Bregman, Kayrin Brower, Margaret Callahan, Brighid Campbell, Jessica Chenard, Michael Collins, Craigon

Confer, Hansi Confer, Olivia Copson, Erin Creagh, Madison D'Olimpio, Marisa Day, Angela DiTommaso, Tiffany Donald, Kathryn Dudko, Colleen Fellows, Carly Filiere, Samantha Foulkrod, Lauren Francis, Emily Frost, Alyssa Hammond, Julia Handfield, Zachary Hauge, Isabel Hoffsommer, Joseph Hopper, Emma Jette, Tyler Judice, Christopher Keyes, Jacob Landry, Brianna Leon, Isabella Lourie, Morgan Maher, Kelsey Malboeuf, Krista Marquez, Kaelen McCurley, Rachel McGrillen, Colin McKeon, Sen Miglin, Kaitlyn Miller, Andrew Millos, Tiffany Moen, Delaney Nadeau, Katelyn Norwood, Adaline Ohman, Elijah Olacio, Kwame Opoku-Agyema, Renee Ordway, Ana Pietrewicz, Abigail Randall, Eric Rockwood, Alexander Rondon, Brian Sarkisian, Samantha Sheehan, Alexandra Simonian, Elizabeth Simonian, Jacob Stokes, Madison Swedberg, Jennifer Tarini, Sherelle Tetteh, Nicole Wass, Eric Westermarck, Bridget White, William Wright, and Andre Zink.

TWELFTH GRADE

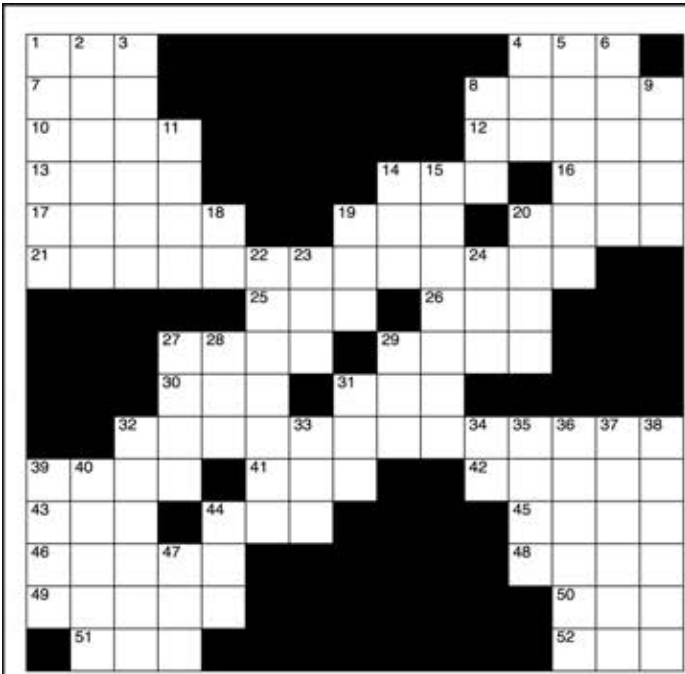
High Honors: Alexi Archambault, Ayanna Bedard, Mary Byrne, Gracie Curtis, Heather Elwell, Emma Halloran, Leah Healey, Emma Lyons, Corrin Marchetta, Brianna Montville, Monika Mularksi, Alicia Murphy, Julia Sypek, Zachary Taylor, Nicholas Williams, Allison Woeller, and Michelle Zheng.

Honors: Elizabeth Ansauskas, Megan Bean, Riley Beauregard, Tea Belog, Matthew Belvery, Lindsay Berthiaume, Andrea Bolduc, Mackenzie Bolduc, Tyler Camuso, Sarah Cavanaugh, Elizabeth Cedrone, Jessilyn Collette, Hannah Coomber, Lisa Dickinson, Max Donahue, Abigail Fahey, Jessica Ferris, Megan Fleming, Leah Halloran, Alexander Hammond, Xochitl Hernandez-DeGruttola, Jasmine Hickey, Kileigh Hynes, Jillian Katinas, Serena Kelly, Vitoria Konicki, Erik Kozlowski, James Krikorian, Zachary Lamonda, Nora LeBlanc, Paige LeFrancois, Abigail Lloyd, Shannon McGrath, Aleen

Merzoian, Anthony Miranda, William Mitchell, Emily Narel, Olivia Obrebski, Gabrielle Powers, Cameron Prosser, Steven Saucier, Victoria Siminoian, William Sjogren, Emily Spafford, Stephanie Spring, Caitlyn Sullivan,

Rachel Sullivan, Monica Tran, Kiara Valdes, and Makayla Woodbury.

SP 12+ Honors: Jacob Foulkrod, Victoria Kalinowski and Kaitlyn Smith.

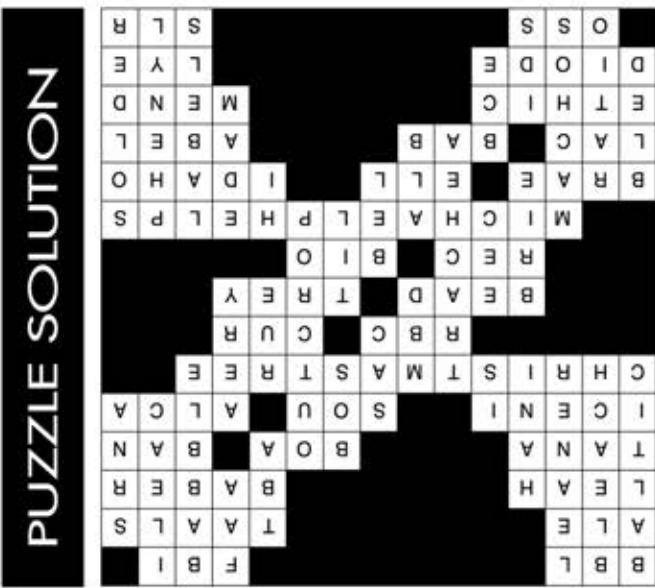


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. "Be back later"
- 4. Hoover's office
- 7. Brew
- 8. Philo and Reglis are two ("Star Wars")
- 10. Actress Remini
- 12. Moghul emperor
- 13. Alaskan glacier
- 14. Constrictor
- 16. Prohibit
- 17. Ancient Brittonic tribe
- 19. Chinese pastry
- 20. Razorbill is of this genus
- 21. Beloved holiday decoration
- 25. Dutch football club
- 26. Aggressive dog
- 27. Small piece of glass
- 29. "South Park" creator __ Parker
- 30. Leisure activity
- 31. Someone's story
- 32. Record-setting swimmer
- 39. Hillside
- 41. Unit of measurement
- 42. Famous for its potatoes
- 43. Insect secretion
- 44. Gate in Marrakesh
- 45. Cain and __
- 46. A set of moral principles
- 48. Repair
- 49. Two-terminal semiconductor
- 50. Strongly alkaline solution
- 51. Former CIA
- 52. Satellite laser ranging

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Sea
- 2. Cleans things
- 3. More skinny
- 4. Supervises flying
- 5. Talk rapidly and excitedly
- 6. Intestinal
- 8. Don't know when yet
- 9. Soluble ribonucleic acid
- 11. Chinese and Vietnamese ethnic group
- 14. Wild cattle genus
- 15. Rock formation
- 18. Makes up
- 19. Resembles a pouch
- 20. Having an aerial quality
- 22. Windpipe
- 23. Million barrels per day (abbr.)
- 24. Bitterly regret
- 27. Soft creamy white cheese
- 28. Renamed when EU was incorporated
- 29. ' __ death do us part
- 31. Sound unit
- 32. Men proud of their masculinity
- 33. Clergy member's vestment
- 34. Hello
- 35. Mild yellow Dutch cheese made in balls
- 36. Marks
- 37. Derived from benzene
- 38. Low-melting alloy
- 39. Lost blood
- 40. Quantitative relation
- 44. Academic degree
- 47. Many subconsciousness



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EDITORIAL

Filling the pages with pertinence

It would be very easy to go out on line and find the euphemistic “content” to fill the pages of the newspaper, but we don’t want to do that. We want to have real news in the newspaper.

So, while we want Charlton news in the Charlton newspaper, and Sturbridge news in the Sturbridge newspaper, there’s a couple reasons why you won’t find that to be true on every single page.

First and foremost, none of us live in a bubble. And there aren’t fences separating our towns from one another. So when the Sturbridge repertory has a production people in surrounding towns may want to attend; they need to read about it in the newspaper in their town.

And those who are trying to raise money by holding an event or a dinner or a program; we need to be sure people in surrounding towns know about those too. We know something intriguing will take us over a town line to attend, it sure will other people too.

That means those people attempting to raise money will get a wider audience, and hopefully deeper pockets, for their cause.

Yes, we’d prefer perhaps to have only the kids from the very, very, very local schools only in the pages of this or that newspaper; but let’s face it. Kids are universal. And darn cute too. Besides, seeing a program in another school might spark an idea in a local teacher so the same program happens in a different town. That exact event has happened.

Still, we’ll circle back again and say it clearly. We need to fill the pages, as much as we can, with the news that affects the town we represent. Charlton in Charlton and so on. Though remember too that some newspaper do indeed cover multiple towns. The Webster Times covers Dudley, Webster and Oxford intentionally. Spencer includes all the Brookfields in its coverage.

But we fall back to you, the readers.

We always appreciate your help. We need to know, what is it you want to see in your newspaper? What can we do better? What are we missing? And are there ways you can help? We certainly do accept PR from groups, photos emailed, information shared in any way it can be. And it is accepted with our thanks.

There was a day in the not too distant past when a regular page in the community newspaper would include news of engagements, weddings and births. Why this is no longer true we don’t know, but we still welcome that info as news (photos too).

Big events are big events, and we are interested. Let us know.

And yes, we understand not everyone is on the internet and that’s ok too. Let’s give you a few ways to contact us: there is a phone number and if no one answers please leave a message (508) 764-4325; or the email is ruth@stonebridgepress.news. Please notice that ending; it is indeed news; a new wrinkle for journalists. And there is also regular old mail Stonebridge Press, PO Box 90, Southbridge MA 01550.

We think we’re getting a little better at this, learning who is who and where; and we are very excited to get out into the towns and learn even more. While we know quite a bit having been here before so to speak, the time has passed and there is much to learn.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Metacomet Trust: join us

To the Editor:

Thank you to Gus Steeves for reporting on E.O. Wilson’s remarks at the statewide Land Trust Conference in Worcester on March 25th. It was humbling to be in the presence of the knowledge and wisdom that this man of science and faith embodies. While he did share “grim” news about our environment, he also shared his optimism that we and future generations will find that there is no more important work to be done in this life than to understand and know our planet and to love and be responsible for it.

Loving the land and being responsible for its conservation and preservation is what land trusts are all about. The Metacomet Land Trust is a local, all volunteer non-profit organization that serves 15 communities in south central Massachusetts in this capacity and most recently we added the town of Webster

to our service area. We have preserved or protected over 700 acres of land over the years. Land owners wishing to protect their property for habitat and future generations are urged to contact us for advice. Others wishing to take E.O. Wilson’s counsel and to learn more about our natural environment and ways to conserve it are urged to reach out to us and find out how to get involved. We welcome new members and we have a wealth of knowledge to share. To find out more, please visit MetacometLandTrust.org.

In the end, our story is a simple one. We love where we live. Please join us.

LISA MOSCZYNSKI
PRESIDENT
METACOMET LAND TRUST

Paint and Paper Pointers

During the long, cold winter, thoughts often turn to sprucing up our surroundings. The combination of cabin fever and pent up creativity often results in a room redo! Whether you plan to completely renovate a tired room or just paint a few walls, the products and ideas available today make it easier than ever to be a do-it-yourselfer! The following wallpaper and paint tips offer some smart solutions to cut your tasks down to size.



TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

Have you ever removed picture hooks or nails prior to wallpapering, and then find yourself guessing exactly where the holes are? Instead of poking new holes in fresh wallpapered walls, simply mark the area with toothpicks as you wallpaper. As you hang each strip of paper, insert the picks in the holes. This saves a lot of guessing later.

To remove stubborn wallpaper, use a mixture of wallpaper paste, water and liquid detergent. The paste will hold the water in place while the detergent speeds up the wetting process.

Professional wallpaper hangers usually apply paste even to pre-pasted papers to ensure it adheres properly. While pasting can be a messy job, clean up is easier if you rinse the paste table and brushes in salted water before washing. This method dislodges the paste and leaves brushes soft and bristles springy.

When mixing wallpaper paste, try stirring it well with a kitchen whisk. It helps cut down on lumps and bubbles.

When papering over old wallpaper, be sure to varnish or lacquer over any greasy spots to stop them coming through to the new paper

To tell if bargain paint is a true deal, rub a little between your fingers. If it feels perfectly smooth, it’s a quality paint. If it has a gritty feel, it’s no bargain at any price!

Flat paint is a top choice for ceilings, but quality differs. Here’s how to tell the good from the bad. Buy tiny samples of flat paint, then place a spoonful of each on a flat surface. Put a drop of food coloring on the paint blobs. The one that spreads the least is the best quality paint.

Not sure if that dried paint surface is latex or oil based? Here’s a trick to test: Scrub a small painted area clean and dry well. Soak a cotton ball in rubbing alcohol and rub over the cleaned spot. If traces of paint come off, it’s latex and should be repainted with the same. If it doesn’t come off, it’s oil based.

To remove varnish or oil-based paint

from hands easily, try spraying them with a laundry pretreat solution, such as Spray and Wash. Rub hands together and rinse well. This does the job without harsh chemicals such as turpentine.

If you are painting a radiator or baseboard with enamel paint (made for this purpose) the finish will last longer if the surface is warm. The enamel will “bake” on the metal for a chip-proof finish.

Don’t you just hate it when paintbrush bristles “shed” on a freshly painted surface? Even the best of brushes sometimes come loose. To prevent this, try soaking a new brush in linseed oil overnight before using it. As a bonus, the pre-treated brush will last longer and be easier to clean! Another tip: After cleaning brushes, place a rubber band around the tip of the bristles until dry. It will keep the shape of the bristles and prevent them from fanning out during drying.

Here a few tips from the pros to prepare walls for painting or papering:

*Need to patch a crack in the wall quickly? You can do the job with items on hand if you just mix equal parts of starch and salt, with just enough water to make a thick paste. Apply and smooth over cracks or small holes.

*Did you know you when mixing up commercial plaster, you’ll reduce lumps if you add the powdered plaster to the water instead of adding water to the plaster? Try it, it works!

*Want to reduce sanding your plastered walls? Go over freshly applied joint compound with a wet paint brush for a smooth finish.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

Your tips can win you a fabulous dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. Hints are entered into a drawing for a three course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn! One winner per month will win a fabulous three course dinner for two at the renowned restaurant, located on Route 131 across the town common in historic Sturbridge. Because I’m in the business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I’m counting on you readers out thee to share your best helpful hints!

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press publications? Send questions and/or hint to: Take the Hint! c/o Stonebridge Press, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email kdrr@aol.com.

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Remember, libelous remarks and/or personal attacks are a no-no and could lead to your letter not being published.
So, what are you waiting for? Start writing!

Changing antique landscape in Putnam



ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & ESTATES
WAYNE TUISKULA

Some smaller antique shops were victims of the 2008 recession and went out of business. Changing consumer demand also played a part in some shops closing their doors. Other shops have adapted well to the changing environment and continue to thrive though. Rick and Laurie Dwonczyk own two shops in Putnam, CT and have a formula that has been successful for them and allowed them to expand, despite conditions that have been unfavorable for many.

Rick informed me that he has roots in the area. He grew up in Moosup and used to shop for back to school clothes at Buggy’s Department Store in Putnam, which is now the Antiques Marketplace. He ran a local pharmacy from 1978 to 1998. He was an avid toy and comic book collector and decided to make a career in antiques after he left the pharmacy business. He sold items in the Greenville (RI) Antique Center in 2001 and went on to manage the store for several years. He began selling items in Putnam in 2010. Rick and Laurie eventually took over Jeremiah’s Antique Shops. When Antiques Marketplace became available next door with its 20,000 square feet of space, they decided to take over that business as well.

Rick said that his current business model calls for Jeremiah’s to offer vintage items like records and baby boomer collectibles while The Antique Marketplace offers antiques. His future plans are to offer retro items similar to Jeremiah’s on the second floor of the Antique Marketplace and continue to sell older antiques on the first floor. With many antique shop owners seeing a dwindling customer base, Rick said their model attracts a large number of younger customers. He estimates that about half of Jeremiah’s customers are in their 30’s or younger. He said that around 30% of the Antique Marketplace clients are under 40.

Despite their recent success, Mr. Dwonczyk realizes that there are factors that continue to make it difficult for shop owners. Antiques aren’t a necessity and buyers are spending their disposable income when they purchase items in his shops. The internet has changed the way things are sold and offers another way for buyers to purchase antiques. Generational changes make some items fall out of favor and others more desirable.

One of the reasons that Rick is able to overcome some of the issues is by having good dealers who rent space in his shop. He said that the changing environment has caused dealers to “huddle together for safety”. With well over 100 dealers there is a wide selection of constantly changing inventory to draw new customers and make previous buyers regularly return.

Mr. Dwonczyk believes that the other local attractions can make his area a destination for tourists. Rick spoke of a couple who recently stayed at the Woodstock Inn and visited his shops along with other local businesses. He said that the Bradley Playhouse is one of the top 10 in New England, that the Sharpe Hill Winery in Pomfret is widely acclaimed and that there are some great local restaurants. He believes that there is great potential to draw many more visitors, not only to his shops, but to boost many other area businesses.

The milk bottle and dairy memorabilia collection of Doug Taylor of Mendon will be auc-

Red tape, mattress coils, and a better life

When Carol Hurley, an RN with Residential Support Services, Inc., opened the door to new client Jon Coltey's apartment, she expected to find the usual situation — a home to clean, someone who needed help with showers and meals, maybe some laundry.

What she didn't expect to see were mattress coils springing through Jon's bed.

"It was horrible," she said. "The coils actually made contact with my knee."

Jon had been sleeping on pillows on top of the bed to avoid bed sores.

She added, "Of course, we had to advocate for him."

Coltey was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis around 1999, when he was 40 years old. He continued to live at home for a brief time, but ultimately moved to a nursing home. He lived there for five years. Jon, who has been in a wheelchair for nine years, didn't think he belonged in a nursing home, so, with the help of a friend, submitted an application to live in an apartment at the Depot Village in Spencer. He was accepted and was relieved to have the opportunity to live independently again.

Carol and her team of home health aides began

to care for Jon in traditional ways — helping him shower, making him meals, cleaning, going to the grocery store. In addition, Carol got on the phone — a new bed was a must.

Carol's first call was to Jon's doctor, who told Carol that she'd already submitted the paperwork so that Jon could receive a new bed. A few months went by without the bed arriving, so Carol checked back with the doctor. Then she called the company that supplies the hospital beds. They told her they'd received the order but that production had a backlog. It would be at least a year until Jon received a bed.

"It was so frustrating," Carol recounted.

Carol then called the Multiple Sclerosis Society, local sites that might have hospital beds, and a Massachusetts state representative, all of whom told her there was nothing they could do to speed up the delivery of a bed for Jon.

Carol decided to call the bed manufacturer back and, when told again about the backlog, said, "I don't care. This man is sleeping on coils. He has MS and he'll have skin breakdowns."

She insisted that Jon be put on the priority

list. The company finally agreed.

"I think they got tired of hearing from me," says Carol.

The mattress arrived in November — a whole new hospital bed. Jon was thrilled. (Carol and her team also sped up the delivery of a new wheelchair for him.) When asked why so much attention was given to Jon, Carol stated, "This is what we do. It's not just about performing the 'standardized' tasks. We care deeply about our clients."

Jon talked about how his life has changed since Carol and her team began providing supportive services for him.

"They make breakfast — anything I need from the stores. With my showers, they help, because I have very shaky balance."

Jon's roommate, Dennis, remembers, "He couldn't cook, he couldn't do his house cleaning. He fell a lot and would push his 'Life Alert.' Then the police would come to help him up and back into his wheelchair."

And now? Dennis says, "Oh, they get him showered, clean his room, do all kinds of laundry, pick up food at the Food Pantry for him, make him meals. Now he's eating better and he's gained



Courtesy photo
Jon Coltey with his "staff" — home health aides Cathy Sauvageau and Michele McGowen, and Carol Hurley, RN, from Residential Support Services, Inc.

some weight. They take care of him. If it wasn't for Carol and all, I don't think Jon would still be here."

He adds, "They take care of me, too. I get their services now."

When asked why he hadn't called his doctor when he didn't receive

his bed on time, Jon said it was because he was very busy dealing with the challenges of everyday tasks.

Cathy Savageau, one of Jon's home health aides, sees another side.

"He's very courageous and resilient. He always says 'whatever, that's

okay.' He's so patient. This man never complains. It's a pleasure to serve him."

For more information, please call Residential Support Services, Inc. at (888) 333-2481.

Chapter 90 funding announced for Auburn

BOSTON — Asst. House Republican Whip, State Representative Paul K. Frost (R-Auburn) is pleased to announce the town of Auburn will receive \$609,209 for local road and bridge repairs. The funding was included as part of a \$200 million Chapter 90 bond authorization approved by the House of Representatives on March 29, which Rep. Frost voted in favor of.

Frost commented, "Chapter 90 Funds are fundamental in supporting our communities with their local roadway infrastructure. This state funding is

crucial local aid to provide a service everyone relies on to travel for school, work, healthcare, shopping, entertainment, youth sports and athletics as well other economically and socially important activities."

Chapter 90 funds can be spent on a variety of municipal roadway projects, including resurfacing, drainage, sidewalks, traffic control and street lighting. The funding can also be used for bikeways, landscaping and tree planting, and for certain road building machinery, equipment and tools.

The state's Chapter 90 program allocates funding to cities and towns using a formula based on the weighted average of a municipality's population, employment, and total road miles. The funds are paid out as reimbursements to communities for qualifying infrastructure work.

The bill now heads to the State Senate for further action, and must be approved and signed by Governor Baker before the funding is finalized.

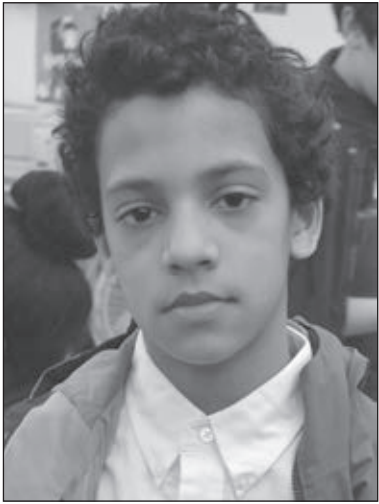


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tioned on April 27th in Worcester. Other additional events are being scheduled. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details.

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Friday's Child



Juan is an athletic eleven-year-old boy of Hispanic descent. Juan likes being active and playing outdoor sports. Juan loves playing on his current basketball team. Juan also enjoys playing, football, video games, and going out to eat. Juan likes to play games and shares his favorite game to play is Uno. Juan is motivated to do well in school and benefits from special education supports for some learning challenges as well as emotional, social, and behavioral needs. Juan is described as shy initially, but will warm up once he gets to know you. Juan does well with structure and routine.

Juan will need a dedicated and patient family who is able to keep him connected to his siblings. Any family constellation will be considered. Juan has four siblings in Massachusetts he is close to and he will need to remain in contact with them. It would be best for Juan to be the youngest or only child in a potential family.

Who are the Children Waiting for Adoption?

There are over 2,800 children in Massachusetts foster care with the goal of adoption. Through no fault of their own, they cannot be raised by their birth parents. Many will be adopted by a relative or foster parent, but more than 700 have no one to adopt them yet. These waiting children are all ages including toddlers, school age, teens, sibling groups who belong together, children of color of all ages, and children with intellectual, physical or emotional difficulties or disabilities. These children have experienced many losses and changes in their lives, and need patient and dependable adoptive parents who can help them grow and thrive in their new family. Free post-adoption support services are available to help.

To learn more about Juan, and about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-54-ADOPT (617-542-3678) or visit www.mareinc.org.

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Local veteran honored by his peers



Arthur LaPlante is awarded a Past Presidents of the VFW award.

SUBMITTED BY DON WAYMAN

Looking back 75 years ago, Dec. 7, 1941, on a beautiful Sunday morning, the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, destroying many Naval ships and planes, along with taking hundreds of lives of military personnel. This was the beginning of World War II. The imperial admiral of the Japanese Navy stated at the time “We have just awakened a sleeping giant.” How right he was. The following day, President Roosevelt called Congress together stating that we are now engaged in a war with Japan and “this day, December 7, 1941 will live in infamy.”

To this day, we have not forgotten. Following FDR’s speech, hundreds upon hundreds of young men began to enlist in the armed forces to serve and protect our country. One of those young men was Arthur LaPlante of Webster who joined the US Navy.

Today, at 92, Archie was remembered

and honored for his service in WWII with the Past Presidents of the Veterans of Foreign Wars citation signed by members of three wars, WWII, Korea, and Vietnam. Following is Archie’s history.

Arthur ‘Archie’ LaPlante, since he is better known as ‘Archie,’ we will refer to him that way throughout this article. Archie is one of a dwindling breed of veterans who are members of the Greatest Generation. He is a World War II veteran. He is a familiar character about town, a hard working jack of all trades, and a comical guy who never turned down someone in need. He maintained a junk yard on Route 12, I bought a piece of concrete drain pipe from him many years ago. He had everything imaginable at the yard but he was not always ready to sell. Archie had a lot of scrap metal and a lot stories to tell.

Archie was born in nearby Oxford in June of 1921. He attended schools in

Oxford and Webster before enlisting in the U.S. Navy in Sept. of 1942, just nine months after the Imperial Japanese Navy launched its infamous attack on Pearl Harbor. He received boot training in Newport, RI and after graduation, Archie was transferred to Norfolk VA where he reported for duty aboard the battleship Wyoming, nicknamed the ‘Chesapeake Raider.’

Built in 1911, Wyoming was an aging dreadnought, she served in WW I attached to the British Grand Fleet. From 1942-45 she was mainly used as a gunnery training ship. Wyoming was decommissioned and sold for scrap in 1947.

World War II was truly a WORLD WAR, and our fighting men could expect a battle no matter where they deployed. A lesser known ally in the war was Brazil. The country had remained neutral during the early days, but in time the Brazilians did join the fight. That was after President Roosevelt negotiated a deal with Brazilian leader Getulio Vargas and PanAm to develop airfields in and around Natal. It soon became known as ‘the trampoline to victory’ and the area was booming with activity.

Archie was sent to Brazil, not for ‘Carnivale’ in Rio, but to help with construction of a Naval Air facility in Ipitanga in Bahia. Archie was a ship-fitter and his skills were put to good use. He could weld, he was a metal fabricator, did sheet metal work and anything else necessary to construct and maintain a military facility. The base at Ipitanga was first operated by the Army and in November of 1943 the Navy assumed operations providing support for six land-based aircraft and was designated Headquarters Squadron Fleet Air Wing 16. Naval Air Facility Ipitanga was home for Archie, at least for a while.

German submarines were particularly active in the South Atlantic where replenishment bases were plentiful. The U-Boats became even more aggressive after they found out about Brazil’s agreement with the U.S. Brazilian ship-ping began to take a heavy beating from the Nazi subs. Only after the airfields became fully operational did the attacks become less effective and allied shipping was able to ramp up to adequate levels.

Shipfitter 2nd Class LaPlante was later assigned to USS Savannah CL-42, a light cruiser, Brooklyn Class. Her primary objectives were to hunt down German supported blockade runners off the east coast of South America. Savannah also supported Allied landings at Salerno and Sicily, the ship was



Courtesy photos
A handsome young man, Arthur ‘Archie’ LaPlante in his uniform.

heavily damaged by a German ‘Fritz X’ Glide Bomb and after receiving emergency repairs in Malta she sailed for the Philadelphia Navy Yard for more extensive repair and upgrade.

Archie reported to the Personnel Separation Center in Lido Beach, Long Island, NY where he was discharged 25 Sept. 1945 with the rank of SF2c(T) having served his country for a full three years.

A lifetime has passed since Archie raised his right hand and took the oath to protect his country. The details of his military service begin to get a little fuzzy with the passage of time. Unfortunately, Archie’s records were lost in a devastating fire at the Military Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, MO. The records of 18 million veterans were destroyed, and though there were relatively few naval records destroyed, Archie’s were among them. Though we do not have the Official Record of Archie’s service we can blend his memories with those of friends and family, stir in the documented activities at his duty stations and be confident that little has been left out of our account.

Shipfitter 2/c Laplante has been awarded the World War II Victory medal, National Defense Service ribbon, and the American Campaign medal.

Mr. LaPlante (Archie) is well deserving of any and all medals, awards, citations and accolades he receives.

Revitalizing the forest by clearing with a plan

BY AMY PAUL
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

Most people are not thinking about summer camp yet, but staff at Camp Marshall in Spencer have been prepping all winter for another great summer camp season. In addition to many of the traditional activities they will again offer, such as swimming and arts and crafts, Camp Marshall is excited about new opportunities for campers as a result of a year-long logging project near completion on camp land.

Contracted by Hull Forest Products out of Pomfret, CT, and harvested by Forward Enterprise Inc. of Oakham, the job encompassed 100 acres of camp-owned land. The planning phase began in March 2016, with cutting beginning in

October, and clean-up continuing presently. Forester Ross Hubacz of Hull Forest Products lead the project, working closely with Jeanne Cassavant, camp director, to implement the environmentally-conscious plan.

Hubacz states, “All of our goals are for long-term stewardship of the property. For effective forest management, a project is never done, rather it is ongoing for many years to come. We don’t just cut-and-run.”

Cassavant states, “We are extremely happy with the work Hull and Forward have done. They have always kept Camp’s interest first. They have built us new trails for hiking and mountain biking, restored two fields, promoted and thinned

the development of our sugar-bush which we will use in the future for tapping maple sap, improved wildlife habitat, and opened-up spaces for our outdoor camping program. We wouldn’t have these opportunities without them.”

Hubacz added, “We have regenerated the land. We removed the poorest quality trees in sections to promote the more desirable trees to lay the ground work, so to speak, for future regeneration. For example, some of the trees have been left as half-trunks which will attract even more songbirds, bats, bears, and deer. This will improve the camp’s ability to teach campers about wildlife found in this area.”

In fact, Hubacz intends to host a fun and informational

“woods walk,” open to the public, on site this fall.

Another benefit of the relationship between Hull and Camp Marshall is the ability for the camp to use woodchips, firewood, and a portion of the trees cut for various camp structure projects like the new archery shelters.

“Campers will now be able to use the archery and rifle range in all kinds of weather. We couldn’t do that before. Besides, we love the fact that our new structures are made of our own wood.”

One of the spaces cleared by Hull will now house a greenhouse for the camp’s new “Farming Food for Our Future” program. Campers will get to plant, grow and take home various kinds of vegeta-

bles. Sometimes, campers will even be able to cook and eat on site the food they grow.

“We intend to teach the campers all about the natural world, from plants to food to farm animals to wildlife. We want them to love the outdoors,” states Cassavant, “and thanks to Hull and Forward, we have so many more opportunities to make this and future summers the best for campers.”

For more information about the programs and spaces for rent at Camp Marshall call 508-885-4891 or visit their website at www.CampMarshall.net. Information about Hull Forest Products can be found on the web at www.hullforest.com.



The clearing by Hull Forest Products was done mindfully and with a plan.



Amy Paul photos
Ross Hubacz of Hull Forest Products and Jeanne Cassavant, camp director at Camp Marshall, worked together on the forestation project.

SPORTS

Stonebridge Press winter season recap



Covering 15 local high schools through our seven community newspapers, it was needless to say a busy winter season from December of 2016 through March of 2017.

On the basketball court, the Quaboag Regional girls' team advanced all the way to the Division 4 state championship game before falling to Cathedral High of Boston. The Bartlett High boys' team was our other district champion and the Indians then lost to Palmer High in the state semifinals. The Shepherd Hill Regional girls' team and the Douglas High girls' squad reached the district final in their respective divisions, where they saw their seasons come to a close.

Other Stonebridge Press affiliated teams that reached postseason play included the Auburn High girls, Bay Path Regional girls, David Prouty Regional boys, Leicester High boys, North Brookfield High boys and girls, Northbridge High girls, Oxford High girls, Southbridge

High boys, Tantasqua Regional boys, Uxbridge High boys and girls, and the Whitinsville Christian School boys and girls.

Moving to the rink, the Auburn High boys' team — which co-ops with Shepherd Hill Regional and Tantasqua Regional — reached the postseason.

And on the track, nine local athletes advanced all the way to the All-State Meet. They included Madison Cahill of Uxbridge High (High Jump), Sarah Cavanaugh of Auburn High (Two-Mile Run), Shawn Gatto of Bartlett High (Shot Put), Alex Hammond of Auburn High (Shot Put), Meaghan Kelley of Tantasqua Regional (High Jump), Gabby Lawrence of Shepherd Hill (Two-Mile Run), Kevin Mensah of Shepherd Hill Regional (55-Meter Dash), Emma Sullivan of Shepherd Hill Regional (600-Meter Run) and Ryan Zahr of Tantasqua Regional (High Jump).



As local high school athletes and fans eagerly wait for the snow to melt off all of the playing fields, let's take one look back at the 2016-17 winter season that was.

File photos

SPORTS CORRESPONDENT



The Stonebridge Press Sports Department is seeking an individual to cover high school sports on a freelance basis. Candidate will be reliable and flexible with hours, and will be needed on nights and weekends as assigned.

Correspondent must have a the ability to e-mail stories on deadline.

Local applicants are preferred, but is not a requirement.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Bay Path baseball team to host annual “Chili Chowdown” fundraiser

The seventh annual Chili Chowdown to benefit the Bay Path baseball team's funding to participate in an April Vacation tournament on Cape Cod is scheduled for Sunday, April 9 from 4-6 p.m. at Bay Path's café. The cost is \$5 a person.

The list of chili participants are as follows:

Bay Path baseball, Jr. American Culinary Federation, Pine Ridge Country Club of Oxford, The Twisted Fork of Cherry Valley, Eller's of Leicester, Tantasqua Regional of Sturbridge, Bucks BBQ of Charlton, Andy Aucoin's BBQ of Leominster, Epicurean Feast of Saint Gobain, Big T's Jerky House and BBQ, Elm Center Café of Southbridge, Chili's of Auburn, Sturbridge Seafood, Monte Bianco of Thompson, Conn., Karol's Corner Takeout of Rochdale, Jimmy D's of Sturbridge, The Overlook, 44 Catering of Charlton, J. Anthony's of Auburn, Zorbas of Charlton, 4th and 1 Social Club of Worcester, Nichols College of Dudley, Chef Giacomo Armata, Chef Derek Henrickson and Chef Jeremy Guay.

Veterans Inc. to host annual Best Ball Charity Golf Classic

WORCESTER — Veterans Inc. will host its 20th annual Best Ball Charity Golf Classic on Wednesday, May 10 at the Heritage Country Club in Charlton. All proceeds will benefit veterans in need and their fam-

ilies.

The 18-hole golf classic will include an 8 a.m. registration time and a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Player registration is \$150. Golfer registration includes giveaways, greens fees, golf cart and a steak dinner. The tournament will include Hole-in-One contests sponsored by Sheldon's Harley-Davidson of Auburn, a men's and women's longest drive, a closest to the line contest and a closest to the pin contest. The deadline date for registration is April 26.

Sponsorship opportunities are available at many levels from major to hole sponsorships. Donations of raffle items are also being accepted. All donation amounts are greatly appreciated and recognized. For a list of Sponsorship Opportunities and to download Sponsorship and Registration forms, visit our website at www.veteransinc.org. The tournament is Co-Chaired by State Representative John J. Mahoney and Mayor Joseph M. Petty of Worcester. For more information on how to become a sponsor or register, please contact (508) 791-1213 extension 1162 or email golf@veteransinc.org.

U.S. Baseball Academy coming to Worcester State

The U.S. Baseball Academy, the nation's largest training program, is coming to Worcester State University from June 26-29. Advance registration is required. Kids sign up for the sessions they want, although most participate all four days from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Please visit for more details. You can also call the offices at 866-622-4487.

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when formal education has ended, because learning ends only with the end of life.”

Earlier, he’d noted the fact they were being inducted speaks of their qualities “academically and morally,” and described being an NHS member as “being part of the best team sport ever.” Citing someone most teenagers haven’t read, Roman philosopher Seneca, Taylor added, “Difficulties strengthen the mind as labor does the body.”

Likewise, secretary Emma Lyons noted an important facet of leadership often cited by philosophers — that power is “ineffectual without ... a wise leader.”

To McNamara, leadership means “the innate sense of selflessness and willingness to bring out the best in other people.” But she spent most of her time talking about service, a “multi-faceted term” that balances both organized community service and “the small acts of kindness everyday” that make community possible.

Indeed, those were a central point of the evening, as the audience watched a slideshow of NHS activities over the past year. Many of them were personal moments that sparked laughter from the students — goofy faces while eating burgers, riding escalators, field trips — but also scenes from their volunteer duties, which included tutoring, Special Olympics work, snow shoveling, babysitting elementary school kids, and adopting families through Auburn Youth & Family Services for Christmas gifts.

According to the society’s website (www.nhs.us), students have to achieve a grade point average of at least 3.0 (or a B average) to get in, although individual chapters can require a higher score. Other criteria are a bit less specific. It defines service as “voluntary contributions...done without compensation” (Auburn requires a minimum of 15 hours). Leaders are “resourceful, good problem solvers and idea contributors.” Character means one “is cooperative; demonstrates high standards of honesty and

reliability; shows courtesy, concern and respect for others; and generally maintains a clean disciplinary record.”

To McNamara, character is best shown by a person’s ability to keep going “when things don’t work out as planned,” with the flipside of “don’t lose yourself in the pursuit of success...Always maintain your integrity.”

“Everyone has strengths and weaknesses,” and those require cooperation to get things that matter done, she noted. While you may “never know for sure whether you’re on the right path,” she said, the key is “always have faith” in yourself and what you’re doing, and to “strive to be the best versions of yourselves.”

After the candle ceremony and pledge, the society members honored teacher Kathryn Tobey, who is retiring this year after 30 years. NHS historian Rachel Hearnlaye said almost every student had Tobey’s phys ed classes or played a sport she coached. She praised Tobey for her “encouraging presence and personality,” and thanked her “for never giving up on us.”

“Being a non-athlete, some of the sports we had to learn to play did not come easily to me,” Hearnlaye admitted, later adding, “Volleyball will never be the same without ‘Tobey Rules’.”

Several members also received awards for various kinds of volunteerism and scholarship, and members surprised their advisors with a gift.

Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.



Senior and pre-event member Andrea Bolduc comes up the stairs to the stage at the start of the ceremony.



Zachary Taylor passes the flame of knowledge to new members, who then pass it among themselves.



Gwen Lutz and Kyle Powers get into the mood of the evening.



Molly McNamara talks as NHS President Zachary Taylor and Vice President Elizabeth Anusauskas listen.



Emily Narel lights the candle of character.



Emily Narel inducts one of the incoming members.



At the end, all NHS members stood to recite the pledge, which includes “I pledge to always seek the light of truth, to hold scholarly habits and to engage in worthy service.”

OBITUARIES

Deborah A. McNamara, 54



CHARLESTOWN — Deborah A. McNamara age 54, of Charlestown, formerly of Spencer, died Thursday, March 30 at Rose Monahan Hospice Home in Worcester after a 17 year battle with breast cancer.

Pre-deceased by her sister Cheryl Stack, she leaves her brothers John A. McNamara IV of Spencer, Kevin P. McNamara and his wife Bridget of Plymouth and David G. McNamara and his wife Allison of Weymouth, her sisters Lauren E. McGuirk and her husband William of Auburn, and Deanna M. (McNamara) Sutton and her husband Ryan of Charlestown, her sister-in-law Lisa McNamara of Spencer and brother-in-Law Edward Stack of Reading. She also leaves her many nieces and nephews who loved her endearingly.

Born in Worcester, she was the daughter of John A. and Bernice E. (Carmerlengo) McNamara III and raised in Spencer. She graduated from David Prouty High School where she was on the field hockey, basketball and softball teams while she battled Hodgkin's disease. She later graduated from Bridgewater State College.

After surviving Hodgkin's disease, Debbie devoted herself to physical activities and travel. She was an avid

cyclist, and runner, but was known to delve into every sport imaginable, golf, skiing, scuba, etc...if it were too snowy for her to take her dogs running around Brookwood Farm in Canton, you'd find her snow-shoeing instead.

Her battle with cancer was the catalyst for her participation in the Pan Mass Challenge for over 10 years, which continued up to, during, and after illness re-entered her life in the form of breast cancer. She is considered by members of the Boston Bruins Foundation PMC Team as instrumental in its creation. She donated much of her time in raising money for other various charitable organizations as well.

Deb was a longtime park ranger for the Dept. of Conservation & Recreation based at the State House in Boston where she was known for her outgoing personality and her wonderful smile.

She was an inspiration to many, and loved by all who knew her.

Her funeral was held on Monday, April 3 with a funeral Mass to be held in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 7 Church St., Spencer. Burial after cremation will be private in Worcester County Memorial Park, alongside her mother.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Boston Bruins Foundation, 100 Legends Way, Boston, Ma. 02114.

J. Henri Morin & Son Funeral Home (morinfuneralhomes.com), 23 Maple Terrace Spencer was entrusted with arrangements

Robert N. Kimball, 84



TEMPLETON — Robert N. Kimball, age 84, of 12 Water Wheel Circle, died peacefully Tuesday, March 28, 2017 in Quabbin Valley Healthcare, Athol, with his family at his side.

He was born in Beverly on Dec. 4, 1932, son of the late Elmer and Enid (Ayers) Kimball and was a 1951 graduate of Beverly High School. Following his high school graduation, Rob entered the Navy, serving as a machinist's mate during the Korean War.

Rob worked for Textron Defense Systems in Wilmington for ten years as a supervisor in quality control. He later worked part time for BJ's in Hyannis for two years. Rob was a member and past high priest of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and was a member of Amity Lodge of Masons in Danvers. His

hobby was model ship making and his daily walks along Baldwinville Road.

He leaves his wife of 40 years. Doris L. (Dahlgren) Kimball; two daughters, Cheryl Ann Migneault of Auburn and Debra Louise Munn of Mississippi; three stepchildren, Robert S. Button of Croydon, NH, Mark E. Button of North Andover and Doreen P. Bosworth of Athol; seven grandchildren, six great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a daughter, Shirley Ellen Kimball and his brothers and sisters, Phyllis Doone, Milton Kimball, Priscilla Lindley and Philip Kimball.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 31, 2017 in Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home, 343 Central Street, Winchendon. Burial will be in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park, Peabody.

Memorial donations may be made to MSPCA or Ahimsa Haven, 381R Baldwinville Road, Templeton, MA 01468.

Theresa M. Amiot, 92



OXFORD — Theresa M. Amiot, age 92, died Wednesday, March 29, 2017, at Notre Dame Healthcare Center in Worcester. She is survived by her brother, Joseph W. Amiot and his wife Margaret of Holden; five nieces

and nephews, Mary Gough of Auburn, Joseph Amiot of Auburn, Jacqueline Miller of Thompson, CT, David Amiot of North Oxford, and Laurie Gardner of Holden; and many grandnieces and grandnephews.

She was born in Worcester, daughter of the late Joseph H. and Rose (Jacques) Amiot, and lived in Oxford and Chicopee before moving to Holden in 2012. She graduated from Oxford High School, Our Lady of the Elms College, and received her master's degree in fine art history from the Catholic University

of America in Washington, D.C.

Miss Amiot gave 45 years of service to Our Lady of the Elms College, as a Sister of St. Joseph for 20 years, a professor for 19 years, and as a volunteer for 16 years after her retirement in 1996. She was a member of the Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Chicopee for 35 years and was a former member of St. Ann's Church in North Oxford.

The family would like to express their gratitude to Notre Dame du Lac, Notre Dame Long Term Care, and the Hospice Care Team at Notre Dame, for the exceptional care they gave to Theresa over the past several years.

A funeral Mass and burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Sisters of St. Joseph, 577 Carew St., Springfield, MA 01104.

Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

Robert W. Hanna Jr., 63



OXFORD — Robert W. Hanna, Jr., age 63, of Bounty Road, died Sunday, April 2, 2017, at UMass Memorial Medical Center – University Campus, surrounded by his family.

He is survived by his high school sweetheart and wife of 42 years, Dale M. (Carraher) Hanna of Oxford; four children, Stephanie M. Costello and her companion Mark Cioppa of Spencer, Kelly C. Finizza and her husband Todd of Oxford, Robert W. Hanna III and his wife Lisa of Dudley, and Captain Michael F. Hanna and his wife Jennifer of Georgia; two brothers, Thomas M. Hanna and his wife Jean of Dudley, and James C. Hanna of West Boylston; his mother-in-law, Jane D. Carraher of Auburn; six grandchildren, Anthony “Tony Mac” Costello, Isabella “Bella-Boo” Costello, Zachary “Zach Attack” Finizza, Cole “C.J.” Finizza, Ariana “Mabel” Hanna, and Abigail “Squirtball” Hanna, as well as a grandson arriving in August; one niece and four nephews. He was born in Worcester, son of the late Robert W. and Joan M. (Campbell) Hanna Sr., and lived in Oxford for 41 years.

Bob was an insurance agent for Arbella Mutual Insurance Company, retiring in 2010. Previously, he worked for Prudential Insurance Company for 20 years.

Bob was well known for his quick wit, sense of humor, and ability to see any situation with the glass half-full. He was responsible for starting many of our family traditions, from the present chair, to having to eat at least two vegetables at each holiday meal, to wearing name tags at family parties. He loved his grandchildren with all his heart and would look forward to giving them a dollar bill for every goal they scored. He loved to nickname everything, and each grandchild has a special name that they will remember.

His love and dedication for New England sports teams was well known. Sundays were spent in his Patriots chair with his Patriots gear and hat on, rooting for his favorite team. We love you.

A funeral service was held Thursday, April 6, 2017, at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. Burial followed at North Cemetery in Oxford.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, PO Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005.

Alfred L. Mathurin, 90



OXFORD — Alfred L. Mathurin, age 90, of Main Street, died Tuesday, March 28, 2017, at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Yvonne M. (Duquette) Mathurin of Oxford;

three children, Paul Mathurin and his wife Ruth, Francis Mathurin and his wife Priscilla, and Diane Mathurin, all of Oxford; four grandchildren, Michael Mathurin and his wife Jill of Orange, Christy Mathurin of Auburn, Chris Mathurin and his wife Michelle of Sturbridge, and Mindy Lawless and her husband Joe of Worcester; and six great-grandchildren. He was born in North Oxford, son of the late Alfred J. and Anna (Morin) Mathurin, and was a lifelong resident of Oxford. He attended Worcester Boys Trade High School and was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

Mr. Mathurin worked at Cincinnati Milacron Heald Division in Worcester for 33 years, retiring in 1984. He was a former member of St. Ann's Church in North Oxford and a member of St. Roch's Church in Oxford. He loved animals, traveling, camping, gardening, caring for his yard, and riding his scooter.

A funeral Mass was held Saturday, April 1, 2017, at St. Roch's Church, 332 Main St., Oxford. Burial followed at North Cemetery in Oxford.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the St. Vincent de Paul Society, c/o St. Roch's Church, 334 Main St., Oxford, MA 01540, or to Tri-Valley Elder Services, 10 Mill St., Dudley, MA 01571.

Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

Leo P. Menard, 90



OXFORD — Leo P. Menard, age 90, died after a brief illness at his home in Las Vegas, Nevada, on March 27, 2017. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

He leaves his wife of 67 years, Winifred M. (Bedard) Menard; five children, Stephen of Mesquite, NV, Susan Hughes of Jacksonville, FL, John of East Douglas, Joel of Cedar Creek, TX, and Michael of Las Vegas, NV; 14 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a son, Scott Menard of Dudley

who died in November of 2013; and a sister, Gloria (Menard) Halsdorff of Auburn. He was the son of the late Louis and Cecila (Lamoureux) Menard of Cherry Valley.

Leo lived most of his life in Oxford and Dudley. He retired from Prudential Life Insurance Company.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is assisting with arrangements.

Annual meeting planned Tuesday

Auburn Chamber of Commerce will host its 55th annual business meeting Tuesday, April 11 from 5:30 -7:30 p.m. at J. Anthony's.

We are thrilled to have Jeffrey Fuhrer as our guest speaker! He will be talking about the rationale behind the Fed's recent interest rate increases. His presentation will also include a discussion of the current state of the economy, and he will touch base on regional challenges with income inequality.

Fuhrer is executive vice president and senior policy advisor at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, is an advisor to the bank's regional and community outreach department and is responsible for the bank's diversity and inclusion functions. He has been an associate economist of the Federal Open Market Committee, and regularly attends this key U.S. policymaking meeting with the bank's president.

In June 1992 he joined the bank's research department as an assistant vice president and economist, and from 1995-2001 headed its Open Economy Macro/International section. In 2000 Fuhrer was named senior vice president and monetary policy advisor, in

2001 he became director of research, and in 2006 he was named executive vice president. Fuhrer began his career at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, first as a research assistant, and then in 1985 returned as a senior economist after earning his doctorate. He has been active in economic research for more than three decades, and has served as an associate editor for the American Economic Review.

Fuhrer has published numerous scholarly papers on the interactions among monetary policy, inflation, consumer spending, and asset prices. He has been married for 36 years and has three grown children. Fuhrer earned an A.B. in economics with highest honors from Princeton University, and received his M.A. and Ph.D. in economics from Harvard University.

The cost to attend the event is \$30 for Chamber members, \$60 for non-members. This includes dinner and the program. You can register online by visiting the Chamber of Commerce website (auburnchamberma.org) and clicking on the necessary tabs.

Plan ahead for this event

Once again, the seductive fragrance from the chocolate fountain will envelope the hall of Chapter R of the P.E.O. Sisterhood presents it's second annual Chocolate Sunday on May 7 from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Performing Arts Center, The Overlook, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton.

Enjoy an afternoon sampling multiple chocolate treats, punch, coffee, and tea. There will be a cake-decorating demonstration by chefs from The Overlook. The decorated cake will be raffled at the end of the event, along with baskets, gift certificates, and other items donated by sponsors.

Tickets for the event are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. All proceeds will benefit P.E.O.'s educational philanthropies. P.E.O. supports six projects offering women increased opportunities for higher education: Cottey College in Nevada, Missouri, P.E.O. Educational Loan Fund, P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship Fund, P.E.O. Program for Continuing Education, P.E.O. Scholar Awards, and P.E.O. STAR Scholarship.

The P.E.O. Sisterhood, was founded as a sorority in 1869, at Iowa Wesleyan College. There are approximately 6,000 local chapters in the United States and Canada with nearly 240,000 active members. Chapter R was organized in Worcester in 1958.

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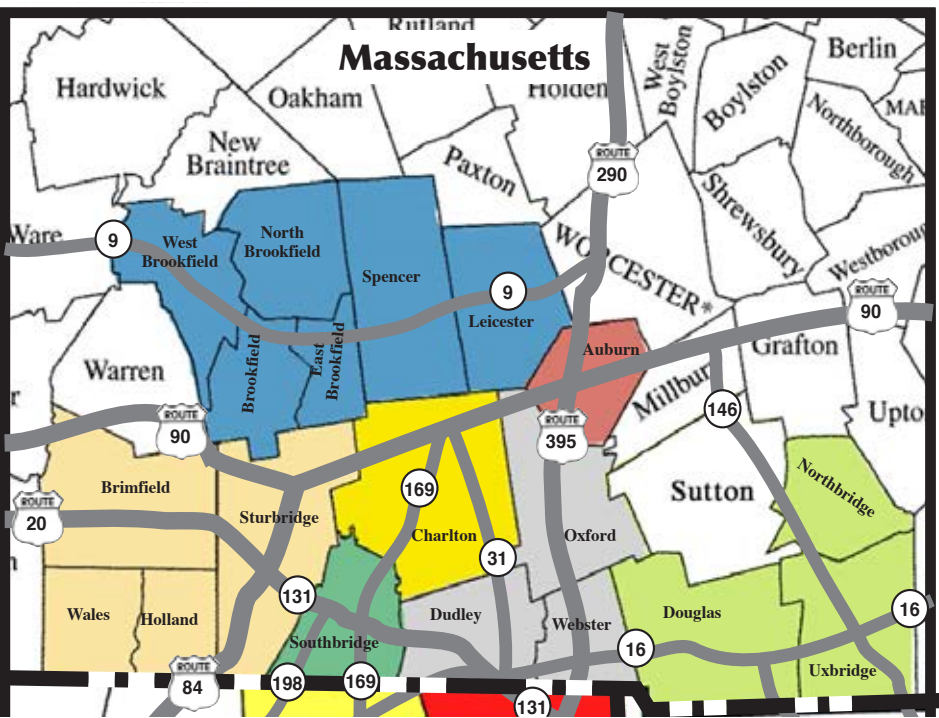
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

SILVER SMITH HISTORY: Auburn Historical Society's monthly meeting will be held April 18th at 6:30 at the Auburn Senior Center, 4 Goddard Dr. Program speaker, Rev. Dennis Knight, pastor of Pakachoag Church will speak on "The Illustrated History of Silversmithing in the town of Ward." All welcomed. Refreshments served.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE: A Spring Rummage Sale will be held Saturday, April 22 in Hodges Hall of Grace Episcopal Church, 270 Main St, Oxford from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. In addition to the Rummage Sale, there will be a Bake Sale and some items from the Lakota people of Pine Ridge Reservation. Church tours available on request. Lunch will be provided free of charge. All are welcome.

ROAST BEEF SUPPER: There will be a community roast beef supper at the First Congregational Church, 128 Central St., Auburn on Saturday, April 22, at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and

children 10 and under are free. No reservations are needed. Additional parking is available at the town hall.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

BUSINESS FAIR: 10th annual East Meets West health & business fair fundraiser and blood drive, Saturday, April 29, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Bartlett High School gymnasium, 52 Lake Parkway, Webster. Presented by Life-Skills, Inc. and Page Chiropractic Health Center. FREE admission, raffles, screenings, demonstrations, giveaways & more! Enter to win a flat screen TV sponsored by Commerce Bank. Something for everyone. For a list of participants & activities, please visit life-skillsinc.org and click on News/Events. Vendors & Sponsors wanted – please email frs@life-skillsinc.org for more information. Proceeds benefit adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities served by Life-Skills, Inc.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

FATHER DAUGHTER

DANCE: The Oxford Girls Softball League is sponsoring its 18th annual Father Daughter Dance on April 30 from 5-7 p.m. at the Oxford Middle School. Tickets are \$5 and are available at Robbins Garden Center in Oxford. They can also be purchased at the door the day of the dance for \$6. All proceeds benefit the Oxford Lassie League. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Any questions contact John Guilloitte at (508) 736-0046

ONGOING EVENTS

Christian 12 Step Program for Men and Women from 7-8:15 p.m. every Tuesday at Faith Baptist Church, 22 Faith Ave, Auburn. Do you feel your life/relationships/habits are spinning out of control? A Christian 12 Step Program is the Key to Christ and Life providing Abundance, Blessing and Grace. Come as you are or please contact 508-832-5044, ext. 155 for more information.

Have a little one in the house? Looking to get out and do something? The Auburn Public Library may have just the thing for you. Mother Goose Story time is for children ages 6-15 months. It's a great place for children and their grownups

to listen to stories, share some nursery rhymes and have time to connect with others during musical free play. Mother Goose Story Time is held at the Auburn Public Library on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Please stop by and join us. If you need more information, you may call the library at 508-832-7790. We hope to see you there.

The Auburn Historical Museum at 41 South St. is open every Tuesday, from 9 a.m. to noon, and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Admission is free to see a variety of artifacts and memorabilia concerning Auburn as far back as when it was known as the town of Ward. All are welcome to come. For more information contact Sari Bitticks at sarilb@verizon.net.

Divorced? Separated? You don't have to go through it alone. Divorce Care is a support group that meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays in Room 207 at the Faith Baptist Church, 22 Faith Avenue, Auburn, providing practical support, recovery and hope. There is a voluntary donation of \$15. Childcare will be provided. Activities for K-high school occur at the same time. For more information, call 508-832-5044, ext. 321.

The Nipmuck Coin Collectors

Club meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Oxford Senior Center, 323 Main St., behind the Oxford Town Hall. Everyone is welcome from long time collectors to those just starting to collect or maybe looking to pick up a new hobby. For more information about our club or coins in general, call Dick Lisi at 508-410-1332 or visit lisirich-ard15@yahoo.com.

Open Story Time will be held at 4:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Auburn Public Library. No registration required. Please drop in. Open to all ages. For more information, call 508-832-7790.

Chuck wants boys in the 6th through 10th grades to join The Man Cave. The Man Cave is a boys' group that meets from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Thursdays at the AYFS, 21 Pheasant Court, Auburn. This is where members will learn that peers their own age share similar concerns. Group members will be able to discuss ways to cope with their concerns as well as receive positive feedback. Each week will center around a particular topic for discussion. There is no cost to join. For more information, call Brandon Pare 508-832-5707, ext. 16 or Dan Secor 508-832-5707, ext. 14. Free food available.

CROWL HILL

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it is possible."

What it would take, he added, are a pressure booster on one end to get the water up the hill and ensure enough pressure for household use and fire needs, plus a pressure reducer on the other end because the town's system has two distinct water pressures.

DPW Director Bill Coyle said he has serious concern "whether or not the cost becomes cost-prohibitive for this project" to do so, though. "You need to make sure water and sewer can service this development before you go very far," he said.

Although Hill noted the nearby landfill is not on this property, Coyle recommended getting a hydrologist to study the effect that 40 wells would have on the way underground water flows — what he termed the "cone of influence" — and whether the landfill would affect it. He also noted the parcel sits next

to an old salvage yard, and did not know if anyone had ever studied that property for contamination.

"Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton come to mind, with the issues they're seeing over there," if the developer does opt for wells, Wrenn later said. That echoed resident Rich Venanzi, who said he was concerned about "the risk of leaching."

Specifically, Wrenn was referring to ongoing water contamination issues in Charlton's Eleanor Lane neighborhood and other nearby homes. The Department of Environmental Protection has attributed them to the nearby Barefoot Road landfill, owned by Southbridge and managed by Casella, although those two entities counter with a recent analysis by Tighe & Bond that seems to show groundwater isn't flowing in that direction. DEP, by contrast, argues other studies show the rocks might fracture that way, and recently announced

a plan to spend \$5 million in state funds to extend Southbridge town water to that neighborhood if Casella is willing to match that amount. The details and route are still under negotiation.

More recently, some wells on Sturbridge's nearby McGilpin Road have been found to have elevated lead levels. Residents there also blame the landfill, but DEP is still testing to try to identify a source.

According to records from the DEP's website, the Auburn-owned Rochdale Street landfill became inactive in 1989 and was finally capped in 1997, but is unlined and covers 26 acres. It began operation in 1953, taking what peaked at 60 tons per day of municipal solid waste.

A nearby parcel also hosts a police department shooting range, and Coyle noted a few of the proposed homes would be within 500 feet of it. Hill agreed, noting three lots would be "the most affected." Connie Pappas suggesting moving the range

and said she's willing to negotiate with the police to do so.

Hill said the plans are far from complete. He came forward now to see what kind of subdivision the board wants — a traditional one, in which all of the acreage would be split into house lots and roads — or an "open space" subdivision — in which 40 percent of the land would be left undeveloped. He had both preliminary designs, but primarily discussed the open space plan, which would set aside about eight acres surrounding the top of the hill as a "park," plus a relatively large, but detached, southern triangle as conservation land. The traditional plan calls for putting an eight-house cul-de-sac on that section.

Hill said he hoped to get a nod in either direction, although not that night, because it will cost the Pappases about \$50,000 to fully design it. Either way, he said he feels it will need 40 lots to cover the cost of a water line, while 25-30 might not do

it.

Responding to an audience question, Connie Pappas said she and her brother had inherited the property from their uncle and sister, who died while working on a somewhat different subdivision idea.

"We're paying taxes on this open land, and just need to do something. ... We need to make some changes now that its 2017," she said, adding they're "cognizant of the need to ensure all the neighbors have to be comfortable with this."

Town Planner Matt Benoit observed the bulk of the plan's proposed open space is on a parcel that's actually separate from the rest of the subdivision -- "it's not accessible, and that's one of the requirements for open space [design]." Board member Wendy Steinhilber agreed, saying she'd prefer some of the lots near the landfill be left open instead.

To resident Ken Johnson, the idea of having some open buffer land is good, but he was

concerned that creating a park atop the hill might attract additional traffic to the neighborhood. He claimed residents of Crowl Hill signed a covenant that prohibits more development up there, with SDC Realty as the only exception.

Noting this was the first time he'd heard any suggestion of a viable waterline, Benoit said the Board of Health's wrote that it "needs a lot more information and doesn't recommend supporting the project" as it now stands.

"It may be advisable that they go back to the drawing board," Coyle said, recommending the owners meet with various town department heads to iron out several issues. Hill agreed to do so.

The hearing was continued to April 25.

Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.

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like this, resist the urge to send money immediately, no matter how dramatic the story. These scammers are good at pressuring you to send money before you have time to think. Before you send anything, contact your child or their school directly. Then you can report this fraud at ftc.gov/complaint.

Report scams to local law enforcement. Contact the AARP Fraud Watch Network at www.aarp.org/fraudwatch-network for more information on fraud prevention.

SCAM ALERT #4:

Each year, the Federal Trade Commission releases a data book on scams as reported to the agency in the prior year. This year's report shows that imposter scams are a serious and growing problem. These scams come in many varieties but work the same way. A scammer pretends to be someone trustworthy, like a government official or computer technician, to convince the consumer to send money. For those who lost money to this scam, the widest reported method of payment was wire transfer. And 77% of the imposter scams came through phone contact. All the more reason to screen your calls!

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EASTER SERVICES



CHARLTON

St. Joseph's Church
10 H. Putnam Ext.

Holy Thursday, April 13: 7:30 p.m.: Mass of the Lord's supper with washing of the feet and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11 p.m.

Good Friday, April 14: 3 p.m.: Way of the Cross; 7:30 p.m.: solemn liturgy of the passion and the death of the Lord with Holy Communion and veneration of the Cross.

Easter Sunday, April 15: 7:30 a.m.: the Great Easter Vigil with blessing of new fire, candles, water and Baptism of catechumens and receiving of candidates and renewal of baptismal promises; Mass celebrations at 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

EAST BROOKFIELD

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, 121 Blaine Ave. in East Brookfield (corner Blaine Avenue and North Brookfield Road) is hosting the 10th annual unique Good Friday meditation April 14 opening at 9 a.m., closing at 4 p.m. Arrive at any time during these hours to participate in this self guided meditative experience; wander at your own pace through a series of activities,

reflections and scripture to prompt an open heart to the living Gospel. Enter the front door (handicapped entrance from the parking lot behind the church), Stations of the Cross will be at St. Joseph's in North Brookfield at 3 p.m. A Good Friday service will be held at St John the Baptist at 7 p.m.. For more information please contact St. John's at (508) 867-3738.

SOUTHBRIDGE

Central Baptist Church
Main Street

April 12th: Maundy Thursday/Lamb Meal) at 6 p.m. (downstairs in Fellowship Hall). If you would like to make an offering to help defray the cost of the meal, there will be a basket near the door leading to the upstairs sanctuary and it will be greatly appreciated Communion, Tenebrae service will be held upstairs in sanctuary at 7 p.m.

A Prayer Vigil will begin right after the Maundy Thursday service ends. There is a sign-up sheet if you would like to participate. Please see one of the Deacons and they will assist you in the sign up.

April 13th: Good Friday/This will not be a service. There will be a viewing of the movie "The Passion of the Christ." It will be shown on the large screen in the sanctuary at 6:30 p.m.

April 16th: Easter Sunrise Service will be held at St. George's Cemetery on top of Paige Hill in Southbridge 5:45 a.m. (Sunrise is at 6:06 a.m.) and will be led by Deacons Rev. Barbara Jernigan and David Bertrand. Easter breakfast will be served by the McRoy family in Fellowship Hall at the church immediately following the Sunrise Service.

April 16th: Easter Resurrection Service at 10 a.m. in church sanctuary with Rev. Sharron Lamothe, Interim Pastor, leading the worship service. The choir will also be participating under the leadership of Susan Caplette.

SPENCER

First Congregational Church of

Spencer
207 Main St.

Maundy Thursday, April 13: service of table & Tenebrae: 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 16: Sunrise service 6:30 a.m. at Howe Park weather permitting. 10 a.m. at the church. (Breakfast at 7 a.m., all are welcome.)

LEICESTER

Holy Season Schedule for First Congregational Church of Leicester, on the common

Each Sunday in Lent (3/5-4/9): Individuals will share personal reflections on Lent. Service begins at 10 a.m.

Palm/Passion Sunday, April 9: 10 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 13: Tenebrae worship service at 7 p.m.

Good Friday, April 14: Stations for Reflection. Sanctuary open from noon - 8 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP, April 16 at 10 a.m.

STURBRIDGE

Easter Sunrise Service at OSV

The annual Easter Sunrise Service will be held at the Meetinghouse in Old Sturbridge Village on Sunday, April 16th at 6 a.m.. This beautiful setting and joyous service is a wonderful way to celebrate the Risen Christ on Easter morning! A free will offering will be taken to benefit those in need through St. Vincent de Paul Emergency Assistance, with locations in Southbridge and Sturbridge. The Sunrise Service is an ecumenical effort sponsored by local churches from Charlton, Southbridge, Sturbridge. Please enter through the main gate and proceed to the rear of the parking lot near the security office, where we will gather and proceed in

together. All are welcome!
For more information, call Chris McTigue at 508-248-4726.

WEBSTER

United Church of Christ Federated
4 Church St.

April 9 - Palm Sunday Service at 10:00 am

April 13 - Maundy Thursday - Sanctuary open from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm for Stations of the Cross - a guide is available for those who would like to make The Journey to the Cross

April 14 - Good Friday Service at 7:00 pm

April 16 - Sunrise Service at 7:00 am at Point Breeze
Easter Service at 10:00 am

WHITINSVILLE

United Presbyterian Church of Whitinsville

Jesus Christ Superstar – Free musical concert on Saturday, April 8 at 7 p.m. at the United Presbyterian Church of Whitinsville, 51 Cottage St. Jesus Christ Superstar is a timeless work set against the backdrop of an extraordinary and universally-known series of events but seen, unusually, through the eyes of Judas Iscariot. Come enjoy the free concert, a freewill offering will support Peace of Bread Community Kitchen. For more information visit www.whitinpres.org or call 508-234-8220

FREE Easter Festival: Kids of all ages are invited to join us for an Easter Egg Hunt, games, egg dyeing and cookie decorating on Saturday, April 15, 9:30-11 a.m. at the United Presbyterian Church of Whitinsville, 51 Cottage Street, Whitinsville. For more information visit www.whitinpres.org or call 508-234-8220.



(NAPS)

If you know smart, high-achieving high school students who are looking for a unique, fun and challenging way to spend part of their summer, they may want to consider Yale Young Global Scholars, a program administered by Yale University. The Yale Young Global Scholars (YYGS) program offers an academic enrichment and leadership development experience that enables high school students to explore an interdisciplinary

curriculum, meet peers from around the world and get a taste of college life. The highly selective, two-week program is held on Yale's campus in New Haven, Connecticut. Need-based scholarships are available, and high school sophomores and juniors (or international equivalent) from all financial backgrounds are encouraged to apply. The application deadline is January 31, 2017.

"YYGS brings together outstanding high school students

from around the world to foster intellectual curiosity and empower the next generation of global leaders, all while also forging new friendships," said director Erin Schutte Wadzinski. "It offers a good balance for students interested in learning, career exploration and summer fun."

The College Experience

While attending the program, YYGS participants get to live on Yale's campus and explore its libraries, classrooms, dining halls and dorms

as they engage with distinguished scholars, tackle new ideas and concepts, and hone their leadership skills.

Carene Umubyeyi, a 2016 YYGS participant from Kigali, Rwanda, found the diversity and intelligence of her peers to be a particularly exciting aspect of the program. "Although we were all from different corners of the world and had different stories and perspectives, we all shared an eagerness and passion for learning," she said.

What They Can Learn

The program, taught primarily by Yale faculty and affiliates, offers six intensive, interdisciplinary, summer, pre-collegiate experiences for 2017: Politics, Law and Economics; International Affairs and Security; Sustainable Development & Social Entrepreneurship; Applied Science & Engineering; Biological & Biomedical Science; and Frontiers of Math & Science.

The rigorous schedule includes daily lectures from Yale faculty, discussion seminars and small-group meetings. Students are required in each session to complete a writing, research and presentation project that includes a teamwork component. With no grades or course credit, YYGS encourages students to approach these projects creatively and with the understanding that they set their own limits.

Who They Are

Students accepted to the program will have:

- Excellent academic records
- Demonstrated leadership potential
- Strong written and verbal communication skills
- Desire and ability to work cooperatively with peers
- Good work ethic
- Ability to read, analyze and reflect on large quantities of difficult material in English

• High standards of personal and professional conduct. Students must be mature and able to engage respectfully and civilly in discussions over controversial intellectual, moral and political issues.

For further information about YYGS, including how to apply, please visit <http://globalscholars.yale.edu>.

High school students can get a taste of college academic life through a highly selective summer program at Yale.

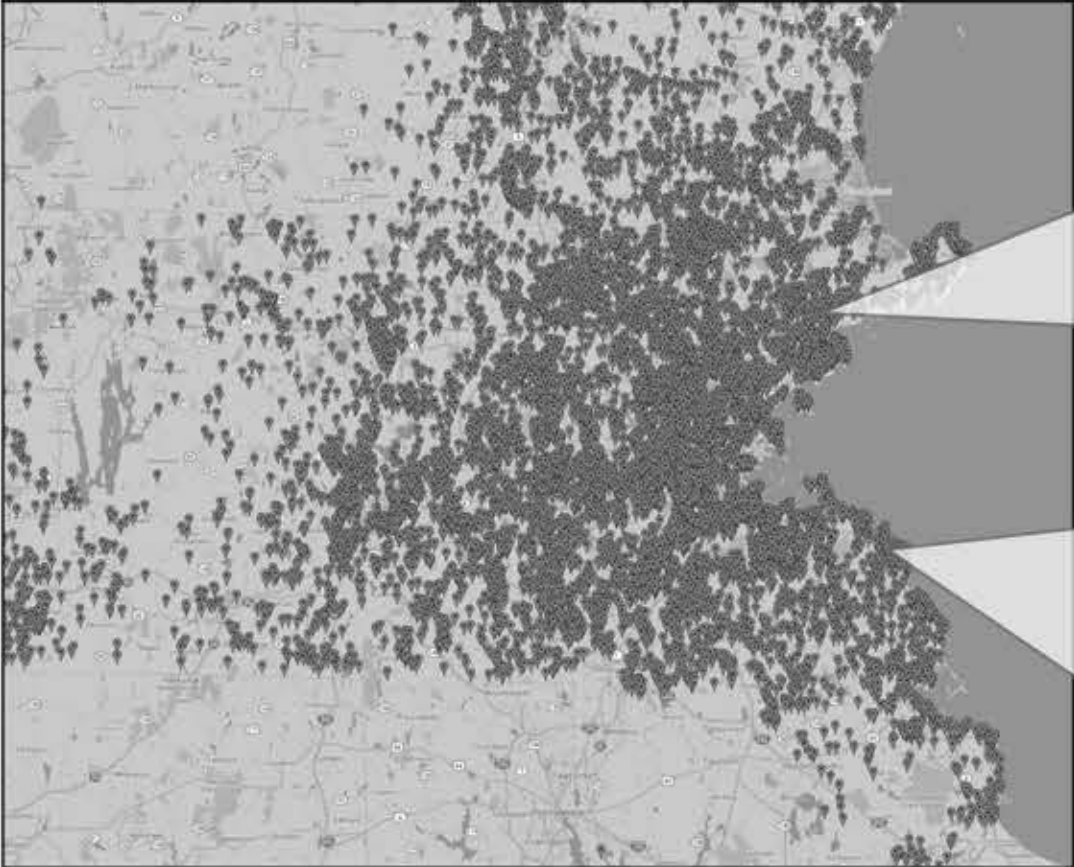
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Nichols College students help Connecticut shelter bolster security

DUDLEY — The Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments' (NECCOG) animal shelter has sought the help of criminal justice management students at Nichols College to recommend ways to tighten security at the 13-year-old shelter following last summer's break-in and theft of two Pitbull puppies.

The first dog, a 5-year-old pitbull, was stolen last summer from the shelter located at 125 Putnam Pike, Dayville, CT. Through social media, shelter staff were able to find and retrieve him. The second dog, a 6-year-old Rottweiler-pitbull mix, was stolen a few weeks later; staff members have not found her.

NECCOG Animal Services provides services 24 hours a day and seven days a week to 10 towns for stray dogs, sick and injured domestic animals, capture and restraint of livestock, quarantining of biting animals, placement of animals that owners are unable to maintain, placement of strays not redeemed, a trap-neuter-release program for feral cats, and response to complaints for nuisance domestic animals. It has three full-time employees, three part-time employees, and 20 volunteers who oversee 13 animals (six cats and seven dogs, as of press time). Animals are adopted

every week.

With such a busy schedule and enormous set of responsibilities, the staff needed help to improve the shelter's security.

Enter the Nichols College students, who used their leadership and business skills to come up with real-world, impactful solutions to the shelter's problems. Those solutions have already been implemented at the shelter and are making a difference in the safety of the cats and dogs housed there.

Criminal justice management professor Kim Charbonneau's physical security class was invited in October 2016 to conduct a building-risk assessment of the shelter. Physical security includes a combination of security-related equipment, devices, and technology designated and arranged to alert personnel to loss-causing events or circumstances. Topics covered in the Nichols course include controlling and monitoring the access of people and vehicles, prevention and detection of unauthorized intrusions and surveillance; and safeguarding documents, proprietary information, merchandise, and buildings.

As part of the experiential learning aspect of the course, the students toured the grounds and assessed the security of

the building, identifying potential areas of concern. Following the students' assessment, the class met with animal services director Dianne Collette to ask questions and discuss what policies and procedures were in place at the facility.

Through their assessment, the students determined the shelter's most immediate security-related needs, and assigned each area to a student to determine a solution. The students spent several weeks developing fire evacuation procedures, training programs for volunteers, animal health and vaccination forms, volunteer application and background check procedures, and daily logs for the facility.

Collette was invited to observe their final presentations, where students shared with her their recommendations. She then brought the assessments back to the shelter and implemented several new policies, which, in turn, is helping to increase the safety and security of the animals.

"The Nichols College students' recommendations were very beneficial and helpful," said Collette, who has worked for NECCOG for 12 years.

"They offered excellent ideas to keep our animals safe. We plan to implement some of their recommendations, such

as an employee education program and creating kitten/cat vaccine forms."

Learning that goes beyond the textbook and classroom is an important part of the Nichols academic experience. From consulting work, such as the animal shelter project, and course-related travel, to internships, Nichols students find many hands-on learning opportunities that help them build a resume of relevance.

Said Charbonneau, "Working with the NECCOG animal shelter gave my students an incredible opportunity to gain real-world experience in the area of physical security, while also giving back to the community."

Nichols College is a college of choice for business and leadership education as a result of its distinctive career-focused and leadership-based approaches to learning, both in and out of the classroom. Founded in 1815, Nichols transforms today's students into tomorrow's leaders through a dynamic, career-focused business and professional education. Nichols serves students interested primarily in a comprehensive business education that is supported by a strong liberal arts curriculum.

DOG PARK

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Lemansky, and Prouty said he didn't know how much a dog park might add to their workload or other needs.

Member Alyce Bukowski compiled the major concerns that have so far been raised by selectmen and neighbors. For neighbors, those were noise, public safety, the proximity of a day care, what would happen if a dog escaped, increased

car and foot traffic, decreased property values and therefore town revenues, and the fact "the street is in poor condition and two cars cannot pass." Selectmen, by contrast, noted a park "must be good for the community as a whole," were concerned about making Fur Friends a "more formal" organization, and queried how the committee itself was chosen (by lottery vs. by interview), she said.

Committee members said they feel the work they've

done should be able to allay most of those issues. Prouty noted many of them are raised regarding almost every proposed project, and McGill said his research found that using an existing recreation area is "the sweet spot" for dog parks. Nicole Vecchio added hers found that such parks have numerous community benefits, including "dogs are more social and better behaved" if they have such an opportunity.

Bukowski said she contacted four communities that recently

built dog parks seeking information on what they did and how much their equivalent of Fur Friends contributed. She has yet to get answers, and said if she doesn't, she'll try a few more towns.

According to the Fur Friends petition on Change.org, "A dog park in Auburn will allow dogs to receive the necessary exercise and socialization to live a great life! Likewise, it will benefit non-dog owners by keeping off-leash dogs under control, as there would be an outlet for off-

leash play to take place."

It claims 335 supporters and specifically states, "If the town of Auburn officials approve the idea of a community dog park, we will move forward and establish a 'Friends of Auburn Dog Park' 501c3 (non-profit) group" to provide funds for various things related to maintaining the park.

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EXPO

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the field), and felt there's a need for a change in how people take care of themselves. Far too often, she noted, ads claiming products are "safe, pure, green and clean" are just marketing terms that can't be trusted.

"If you look at the state of health issues, and look at the commercial products' ingredients, you see you're washing your hands with a pesticide or using formaldehyde to wash your hair," she said. "Our skin is our biggest organ, and everything [we put on it] goes straight into our bloodstream."

Her company fits the expo's original intent. According to Chamber board President Carrie Cross, it started 10 years ago as a health expo at Holy Cross, but when the Chamber opted to move it to Auburn six years ago, they also wanted to expand it to include a broader

spectrum of businesses. Therefore, people attending this week found several personal health entities intermingled with banks, a travel agent, a few home improvement firms, senior living facilities, social services, town departments and other enterprises.

Another newcomer was Auburn resident Tim Lebel, showcasing his six-year-old photography company called Ten Mangoes. He said he thought it'd be "an excellent networking opportunity" and described it as a "good-sized group" with lots of leads.

Like many photographers, he started in college with some practice in both digital and darkroom development, but does all digital today. When asked why he opted to go into business for himself, Lebel said, "That's just what most photographers do. Since then, I've hemmed and hawed about working for another studio, but like setting my own schedule. It wasn't an appealing option to go work for somebody else."

Mark Lindblom came to that conclusion himself after getting out of the military 16 years ago, when he started a home improvement firm. At the time, he said, the economy "was kind of wishy-washy," and has since changed from one in which most of his clients hired him for their wants to doing so for their needs. He explained it by saying the wants were "custom patios and outside fireplaces, compared to kitchen or bathroom renovations."

"When I was only working on custom work, I kind of saw it coming, so I changed and the business flourished" he said, adding that recent years' weather events have helped, including the 2011 tornado, hurricanes and the "Snowmageddon" of two years ago.

To Lindblom, events like this are "very little time involved for the amount of referrals I get. It's a great ratio all around."

Cross noted a lot of people visiting such expos find "places in town [they]

didn't know even existed." Since the event began, she added, Auburn's business community has grown to more than 500, although about 200 are Chamber members. For some small ones, this is "the big marketing event of the year" because they can't really afford a lot of advertising.

Overall, Auburn is "more geared to community [-based businesses] than to the big industrial-type businesses," and is slowly changing its tax structure to encourage more businesses, Cross added. For years, it has had a split tax rate, but is gradually bringing the commercial rate down and residential rate up to become equal. Over the next 10 years, she predicted Auburn would continue to attract business with more development in the industrial and/or biotech sectors.

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5K RACE

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still wave and smile – the way he lived his life is an example for all."

The online registration fee for each 5K participant is \$30, while race day registration is \$35. Bib pickup will be available during a pre-race celebration on April 29 at Leicester Rod and Gun Club (4-7 p.m.).

T-shirts will be given to all online registrants who sign up prior to April 17. To register online, visit www.racewire.com and enter the name of the event in the search tab.

Rowland joins the Tarentino family in their eagerness to award graduating seniors with scholarships. Honoring Officer Tarentino's legacy, the scholarships will be given to seniors who have been heavily involved in their communities – or



seniors who have overcome adversity during their careers and plan to serve the community in some capacity.

The first scholarships will be awarded this spring.

Looking ahead, the 5K race will be a major contributor to the scholarship fund for years to come.

"We plan to make this an annual event to offer a chance for all communities to come together to honor and remember Officer Tarentino. He will not be forgotten," Rowland said in an interview. "His family is a true example of honor and love of family and community. They have made the ultimate sacrifice – anything we can do in our communities to honor that is a good thing."

Parking for the 5K run will be available at Leicester Primary School and Leicester Middle School. For more information on the race, send an email to tarentinostrong5k@gmail.com.



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SOLD
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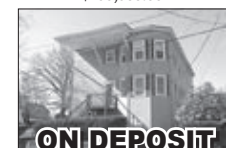
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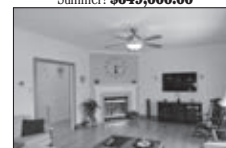
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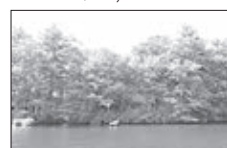
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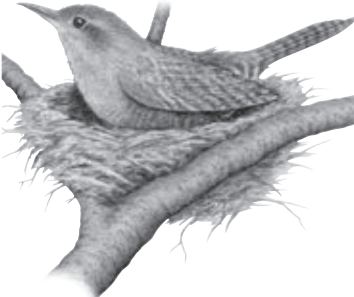
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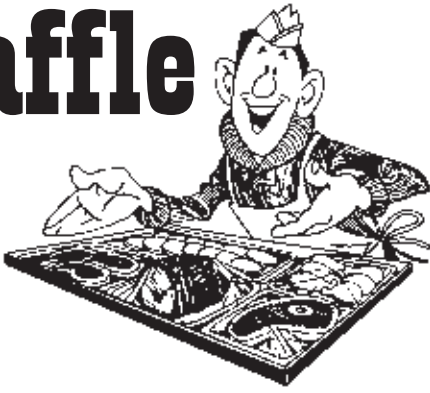
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